

Topological charge pumping of cold atoms

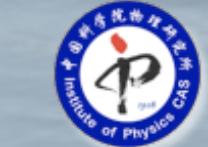


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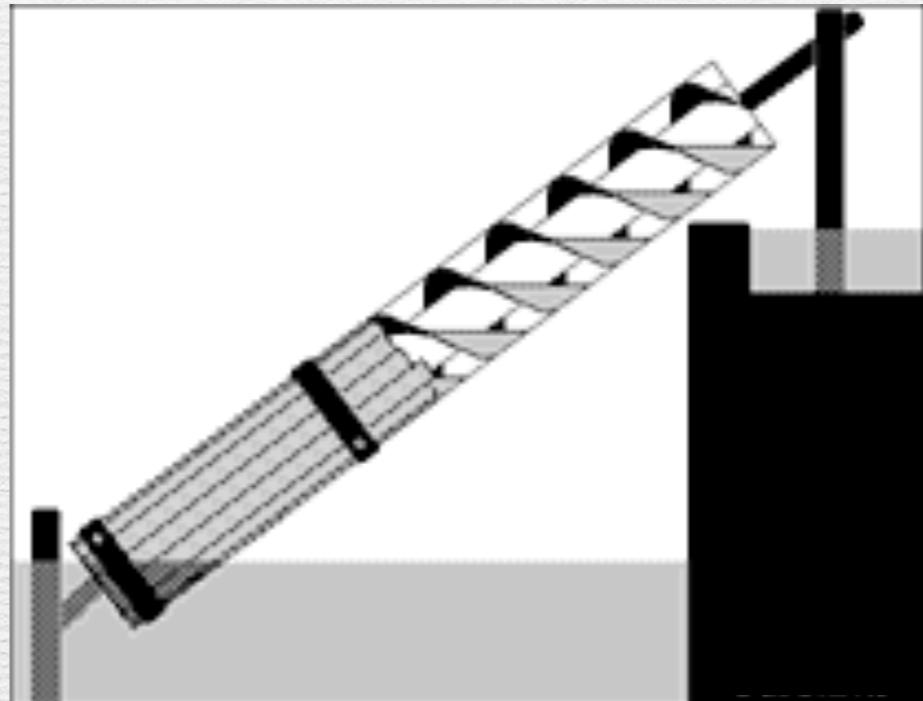
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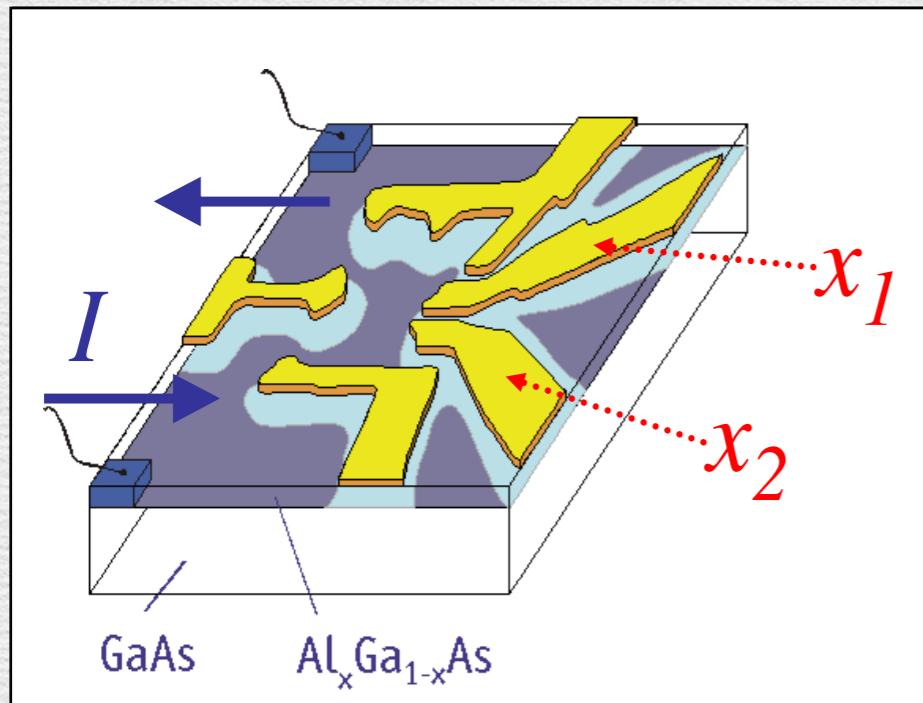


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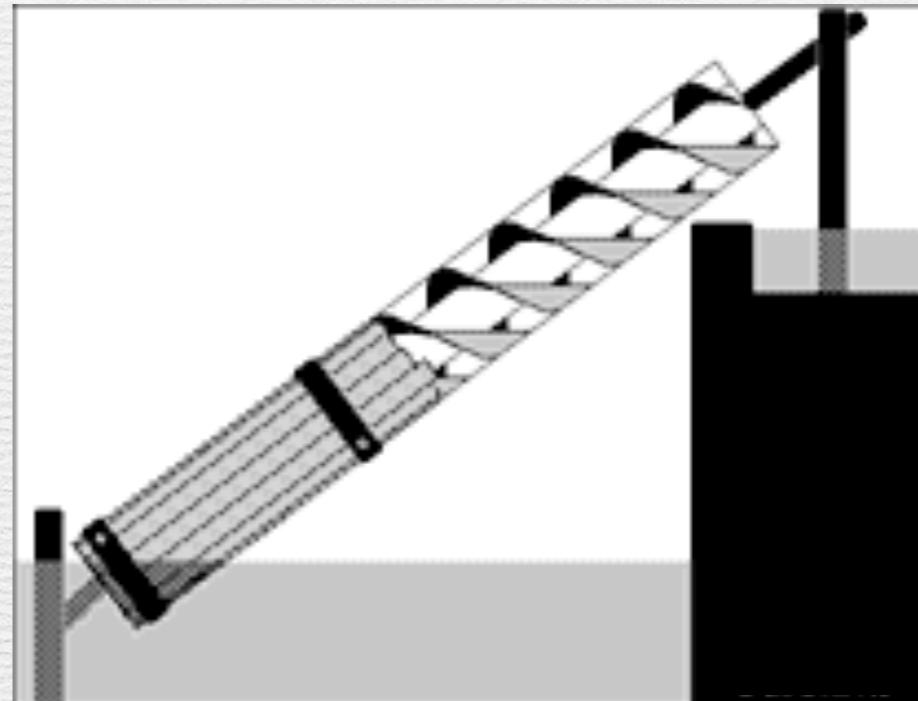


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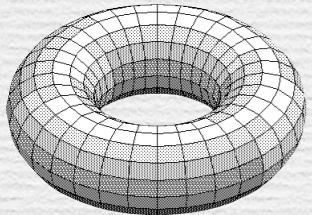
Switkes *et al* 1999

Buttiker, Brouwer, Zhou, Spivak, Altshuler ...



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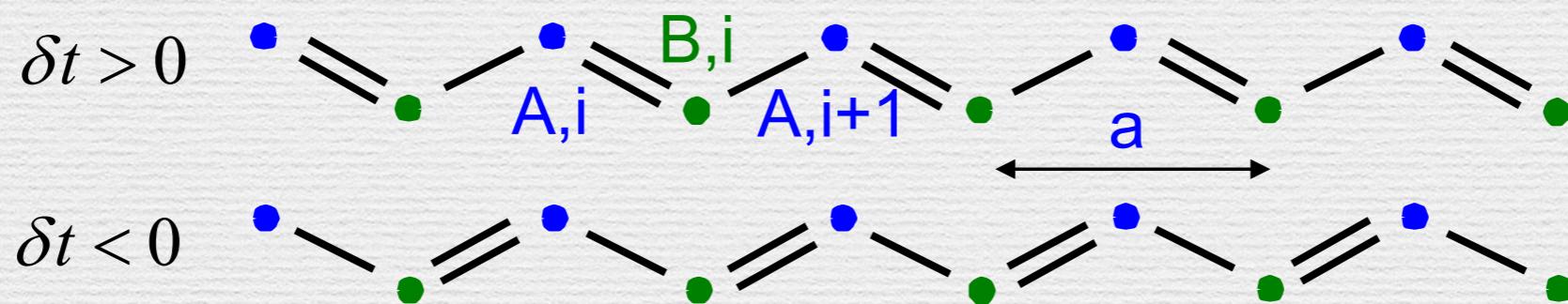


A device transfers **quantized charge** in each pumping cycle.

Thouless 1983

$$H = \sum_i (t + \delta t) c_{Ai}^\dagger c_{Bi} + (t - \delta t) c_{Ai+1}^\dagger c_{Bi} + H.c.$$

Su, Schrieffer, Heeger, 1979

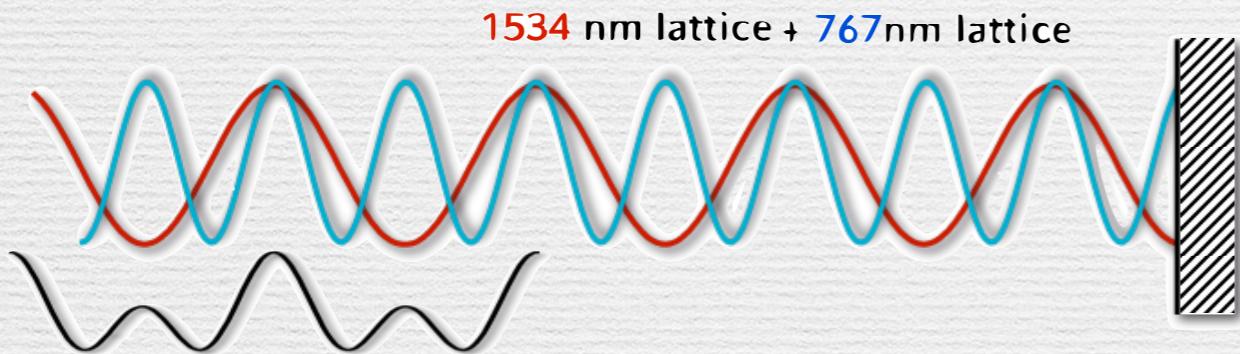


- ✿ Current flows in an insulating state
- ✿ No dissipation!
- ✿ Dynamical analog of quantum Hall effect

Experimental progresses

Optical Superlattice

Fölling *et al*, Atala *et al*

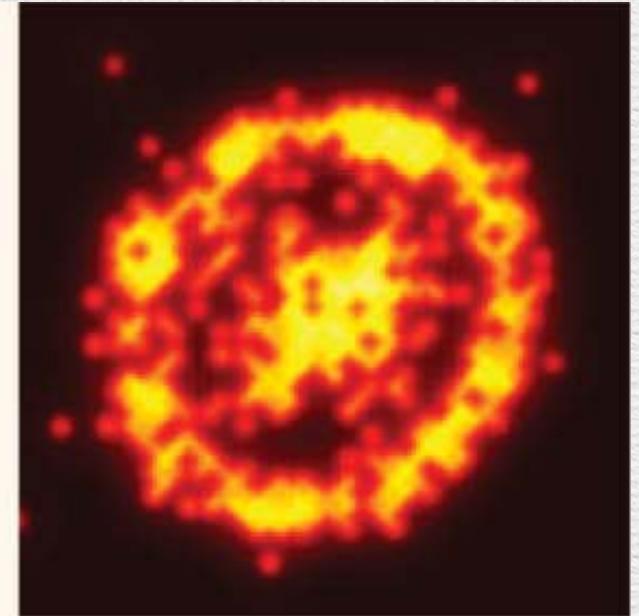


$$V_{\text{OL}}(x) = V_1 \cos^2 \left(\frac{2\pi x}{d} \right) + V_2 \cos^2 \left(\frac{\pi x}{d} - \varphi \right)$$

Full (independent) dynamical control over V_1 , V_2 and φ

in-situ imaging

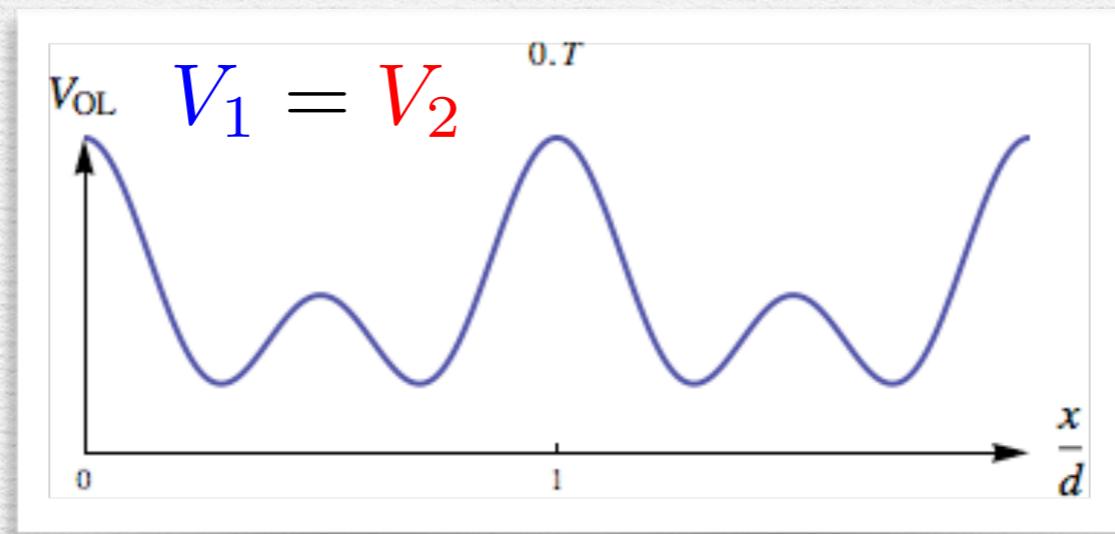
Gemelke, *et al*, Sherson *et al*, Bakr *et al*



Allows to measure exact quantization of pumped charge

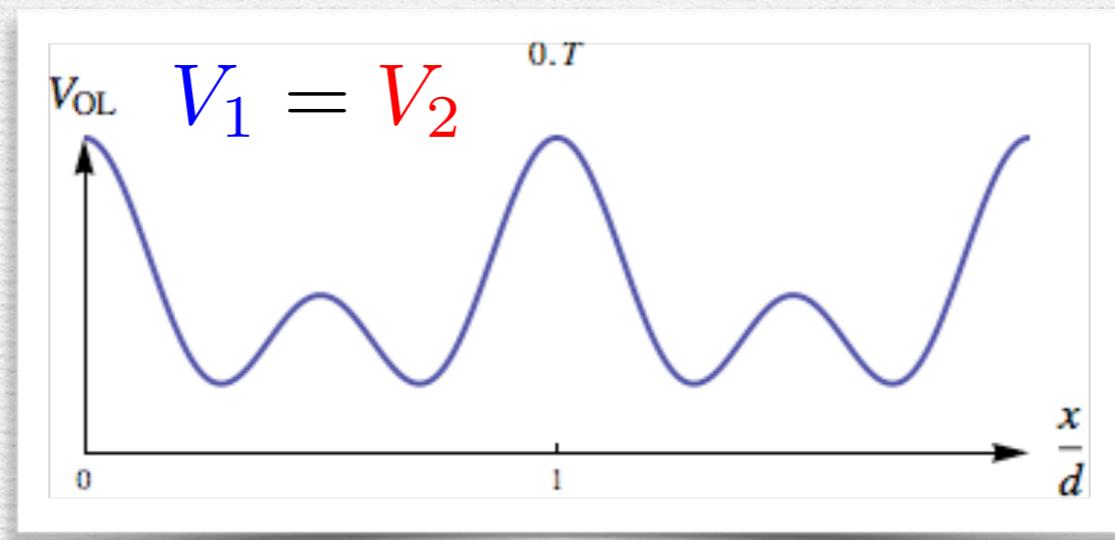
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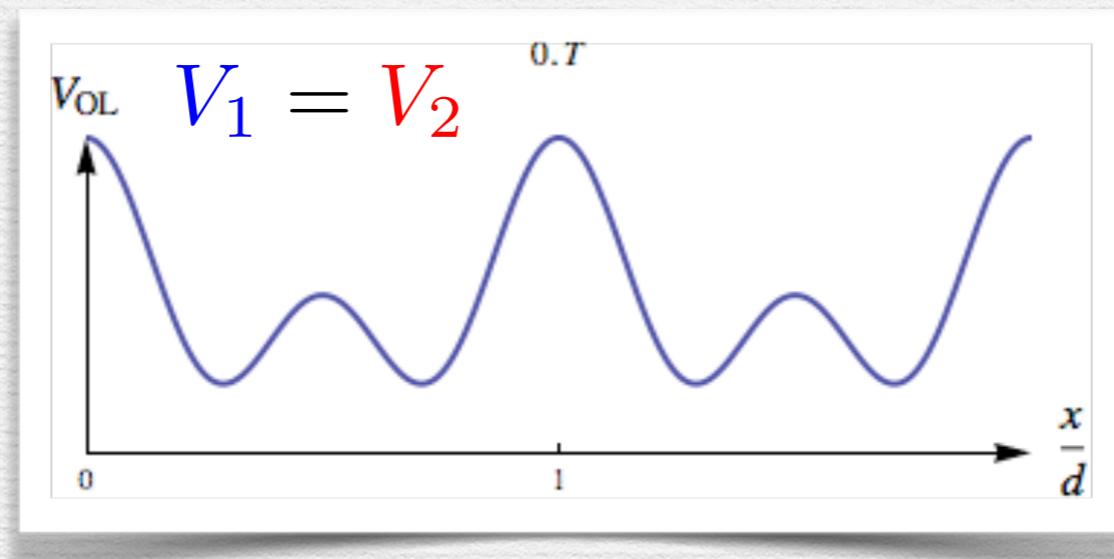
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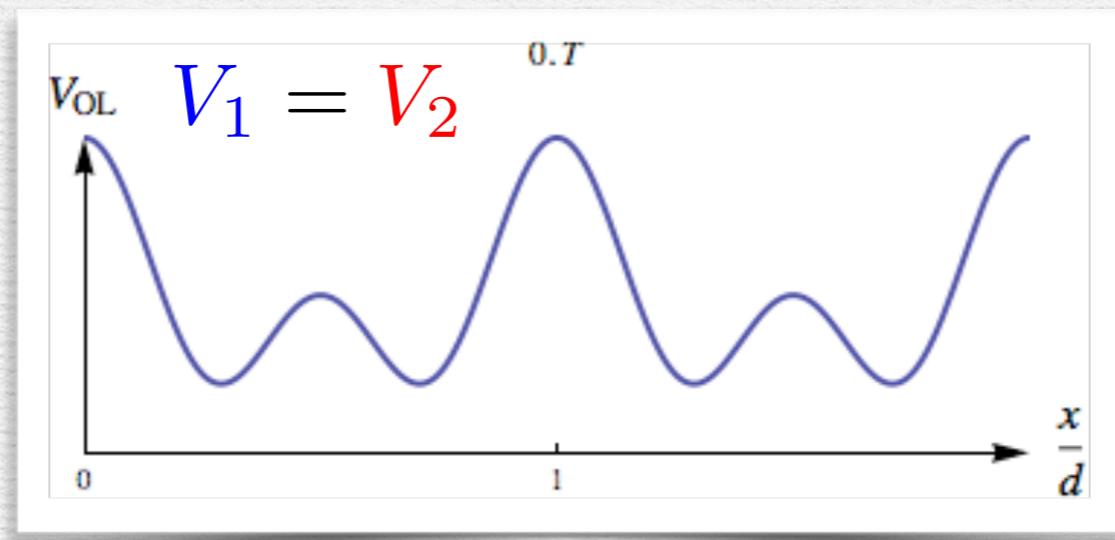
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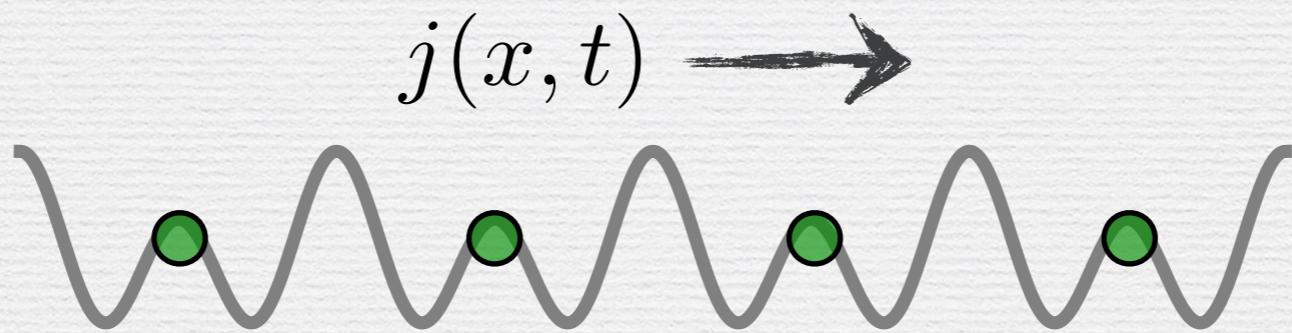
$T/4$ A \cdots B \cdots A \cdots B

Rice, Mele, 1982

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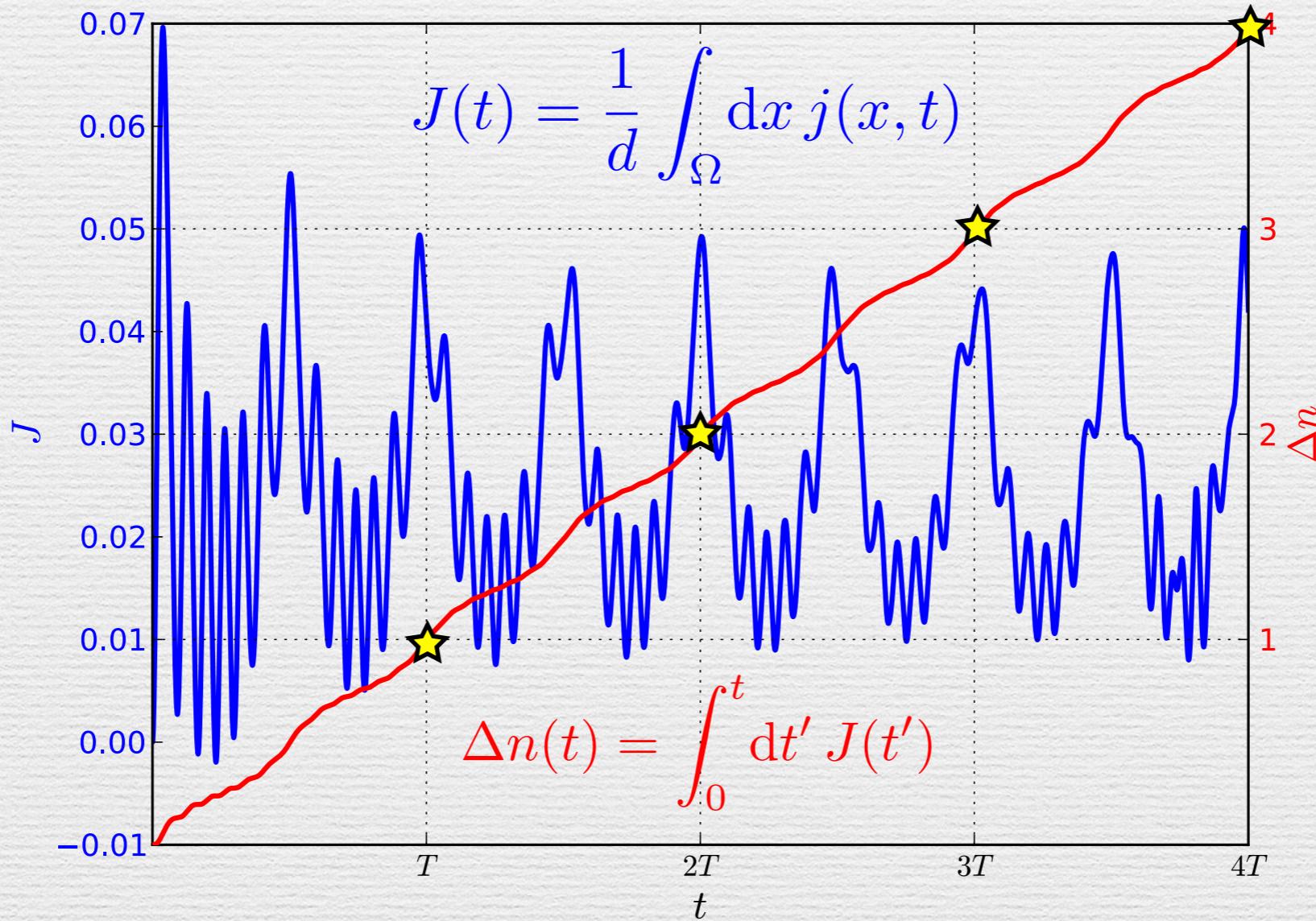


$$H(x, t) = -\frac{\hbar^2}{2m} \nabla^2 + V_{\text{OL}}(x, t)$$

$$i \frac{\partial}{\partial t} |\Psi\rangle = H(x, t) |\Psi\rangle$$

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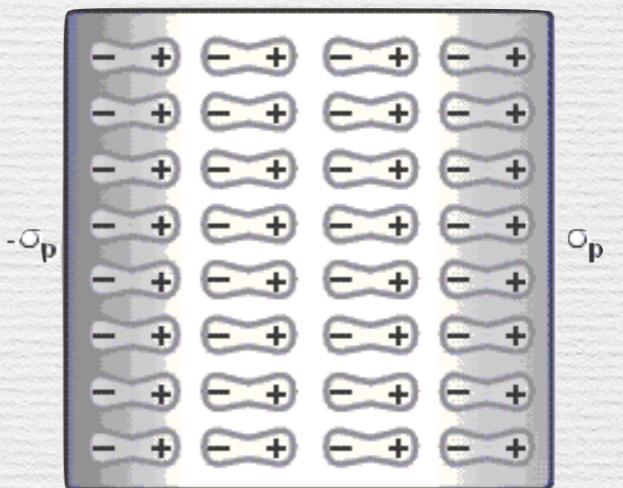
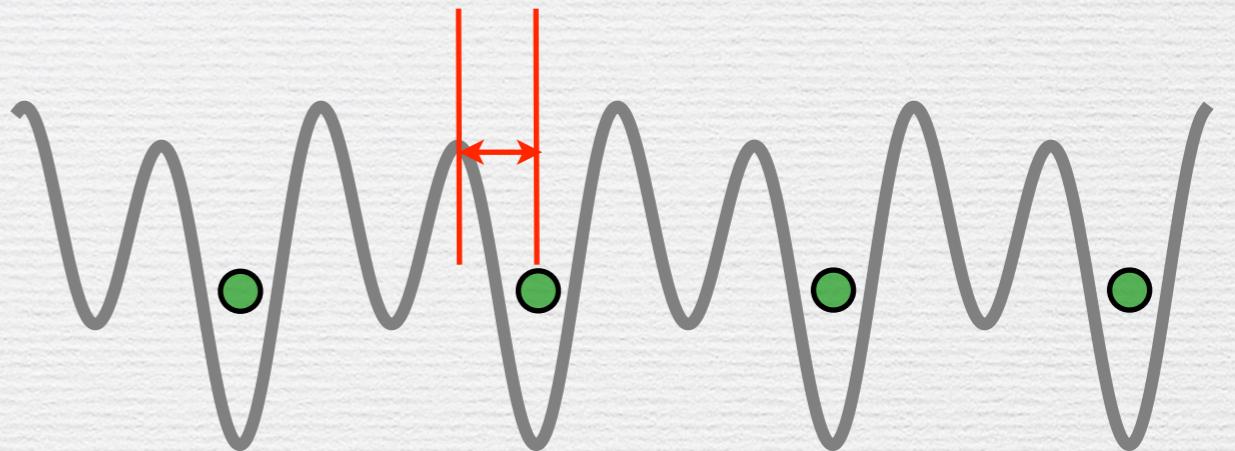


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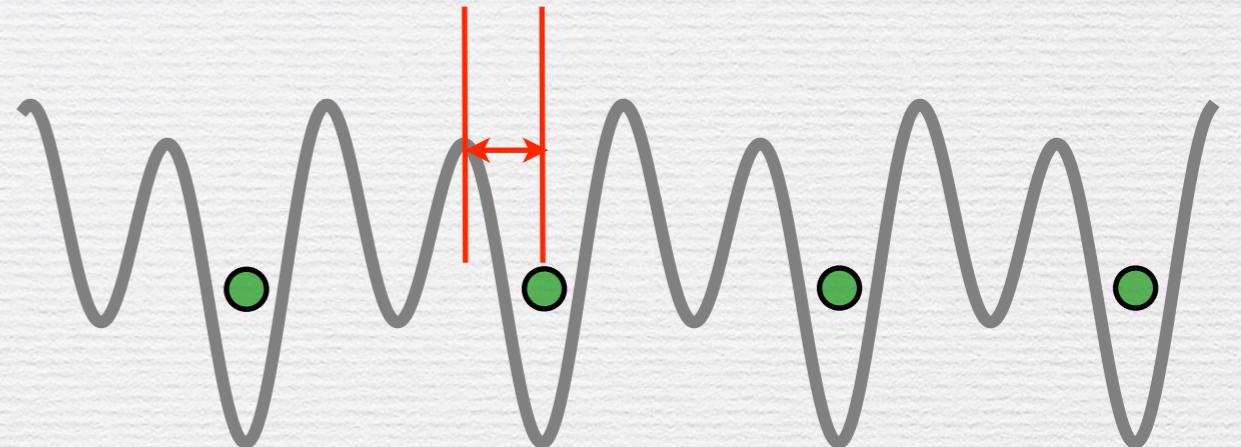


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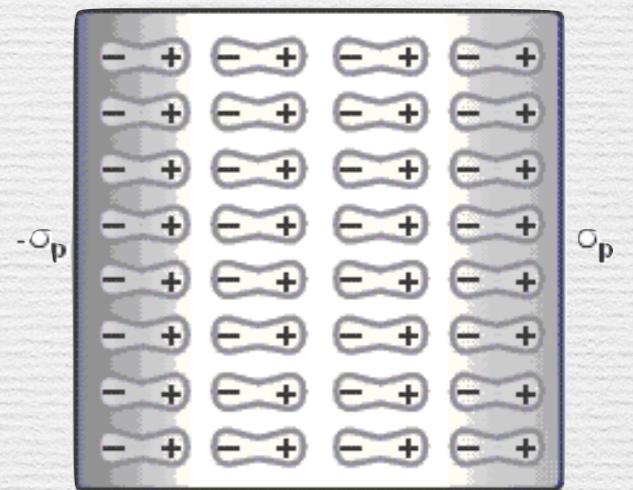
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Change of Polarization

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta P &= \int_0^T dP \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_0^T \int_0^{2\pi} dt dk_x \left(\langle \partial_t u | \partial_{k_x} u \rangle - h.c. \right) \end{aligned}$$

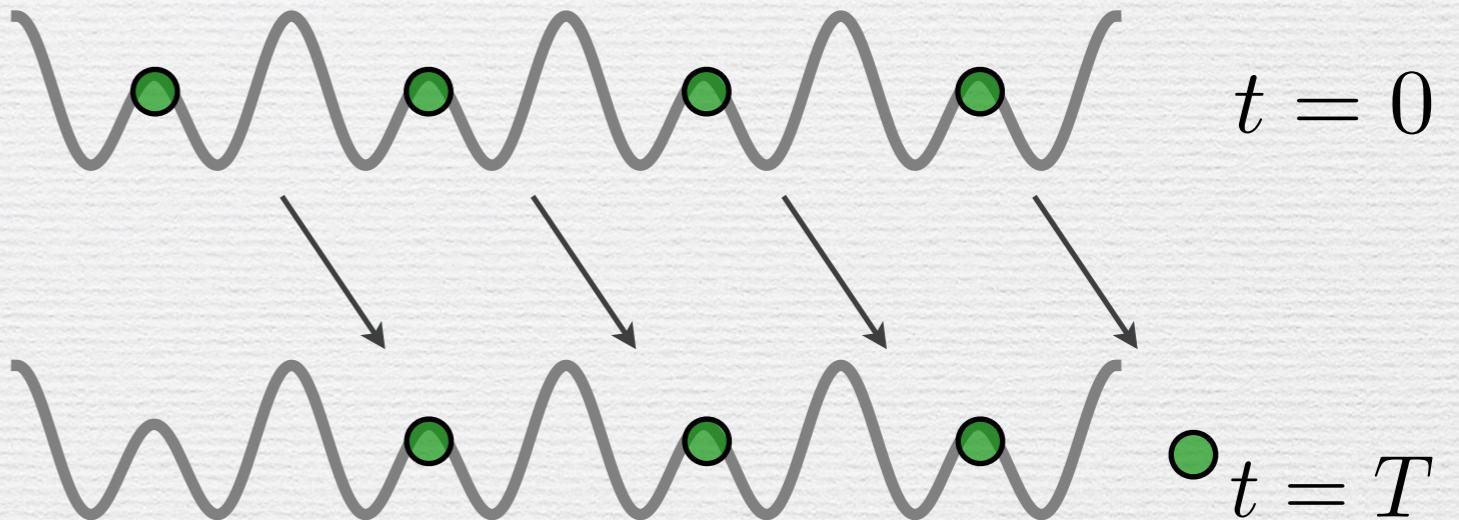


Berry Curvature

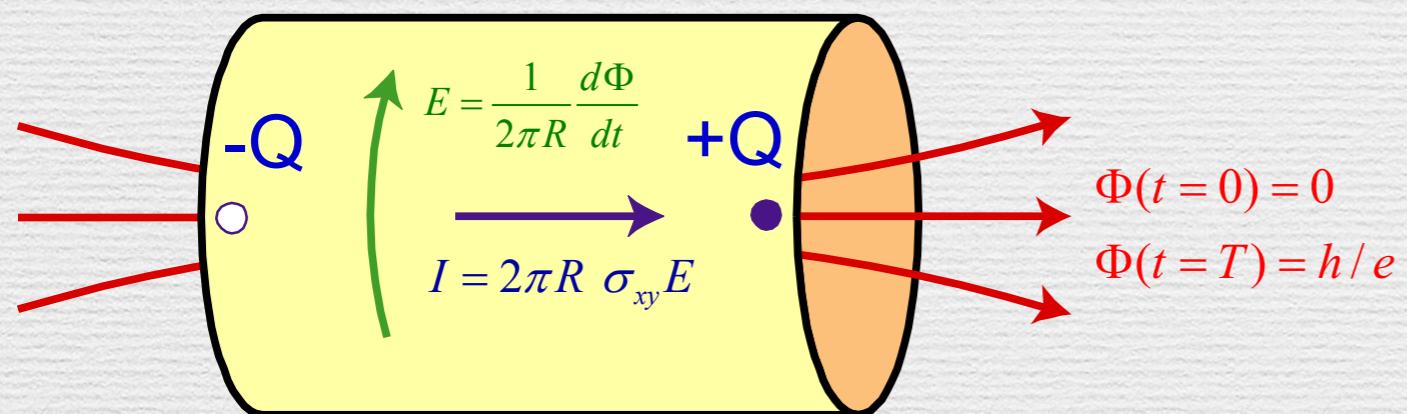
= Chern number

Connection to IQHE

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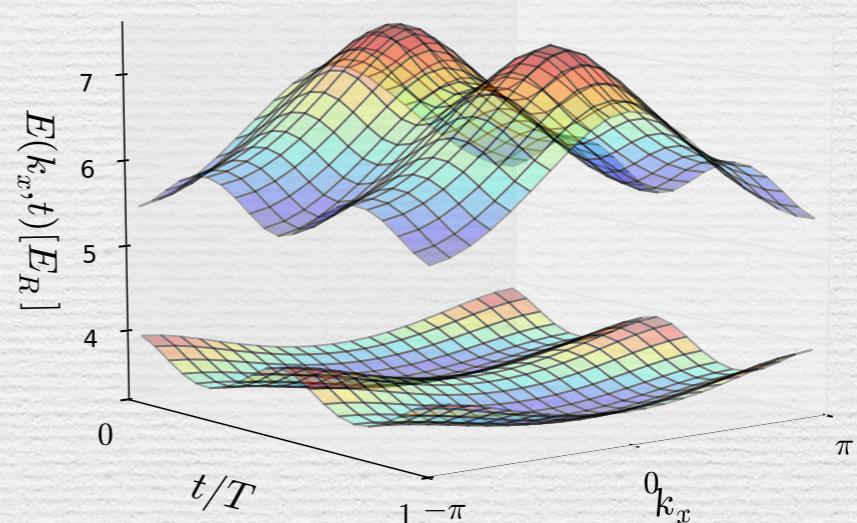


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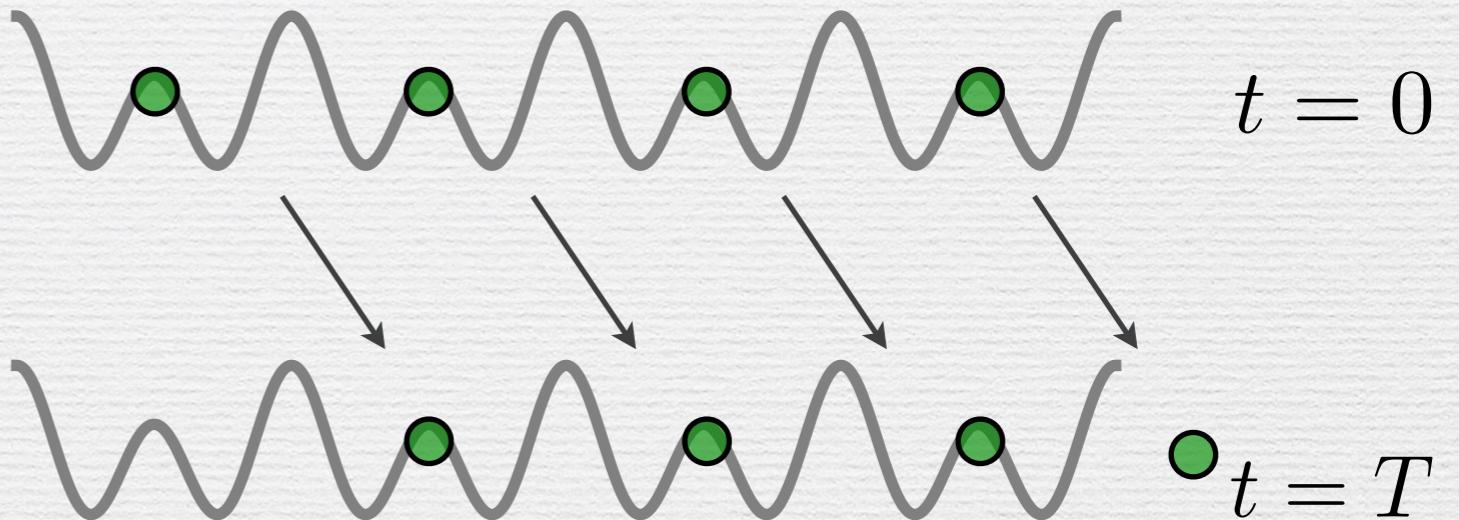
Laughlin, 1981

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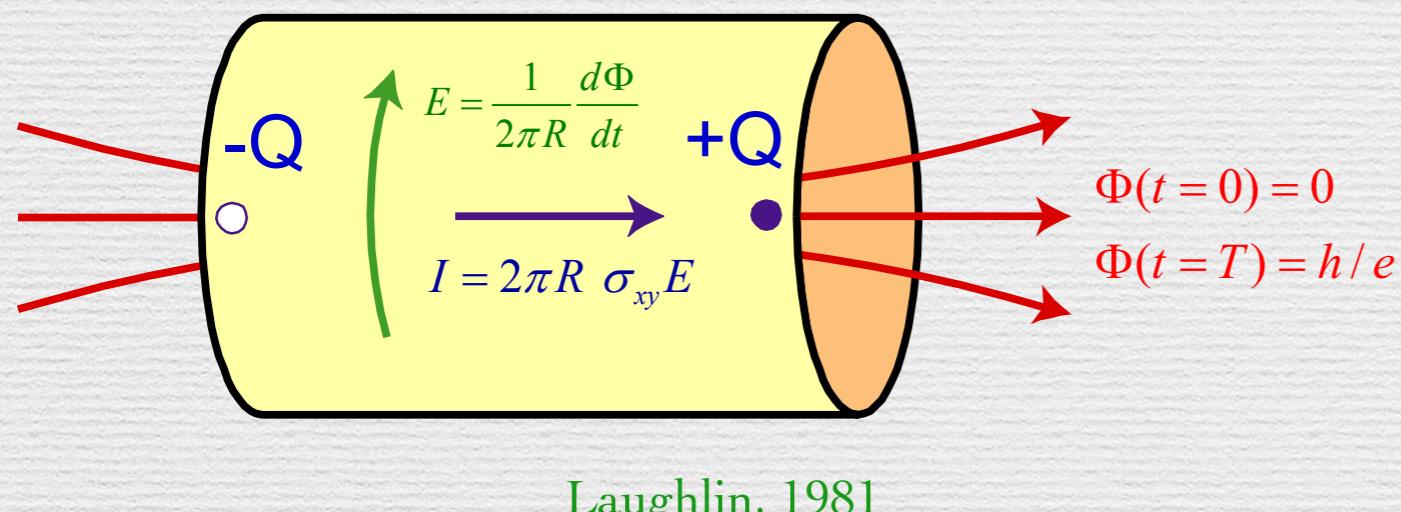


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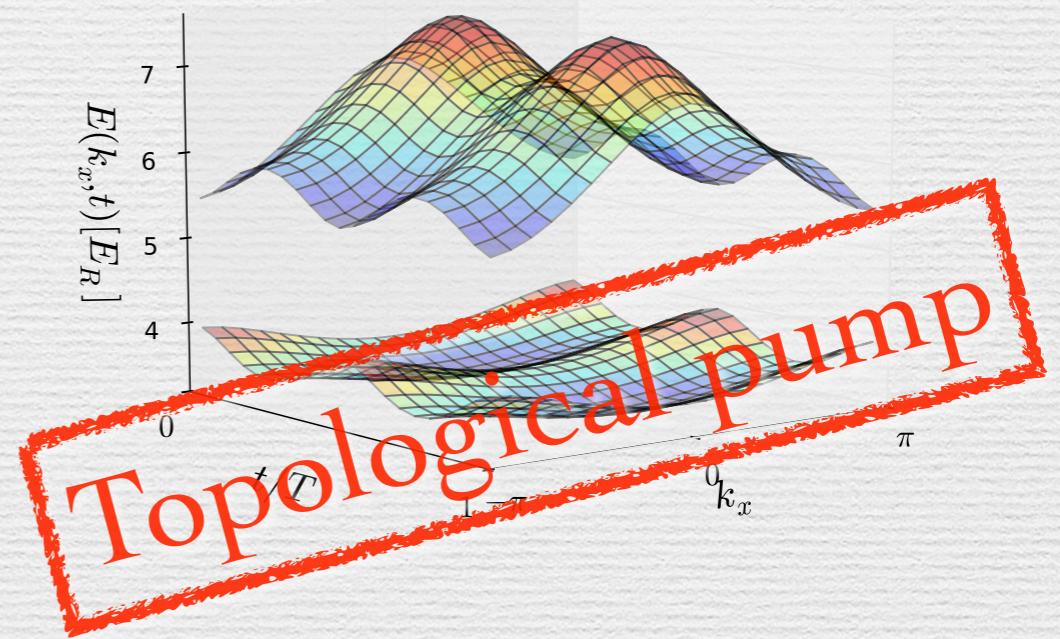
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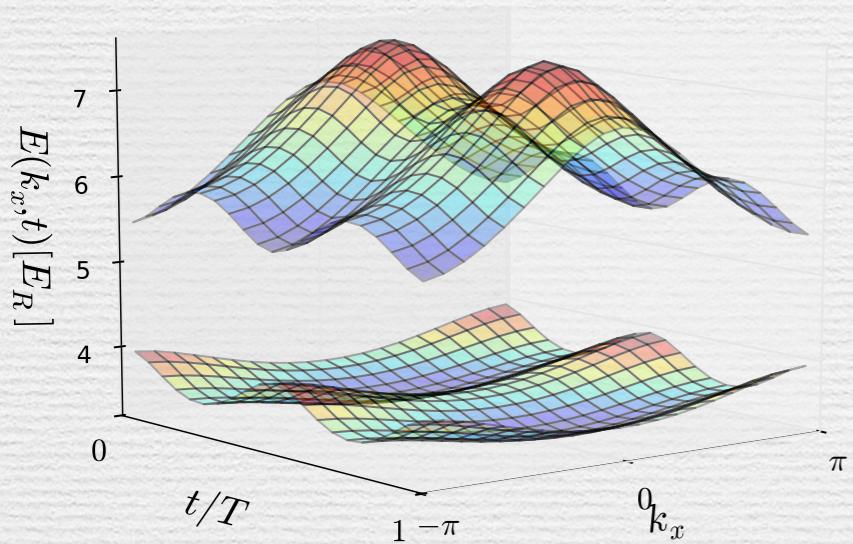


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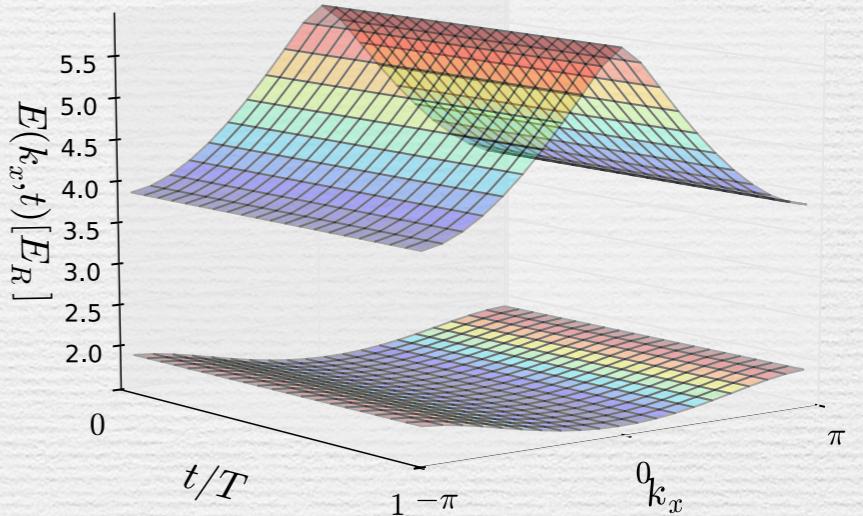
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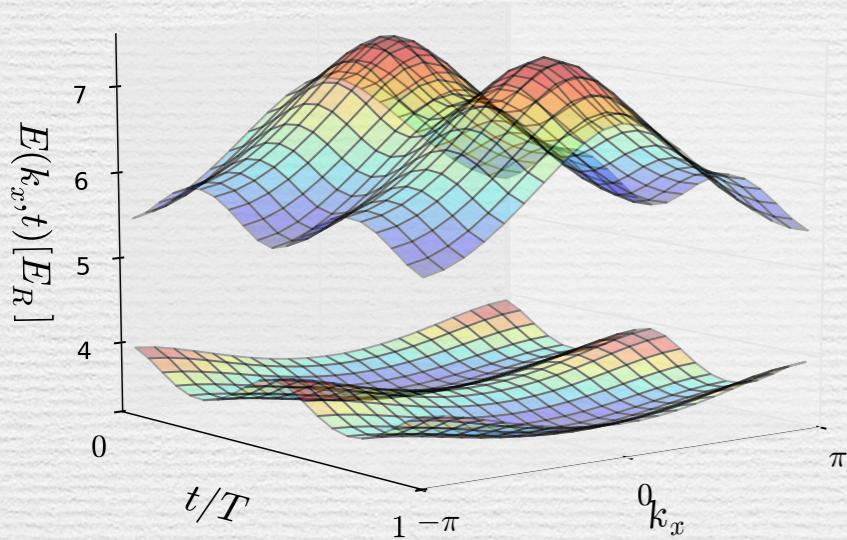


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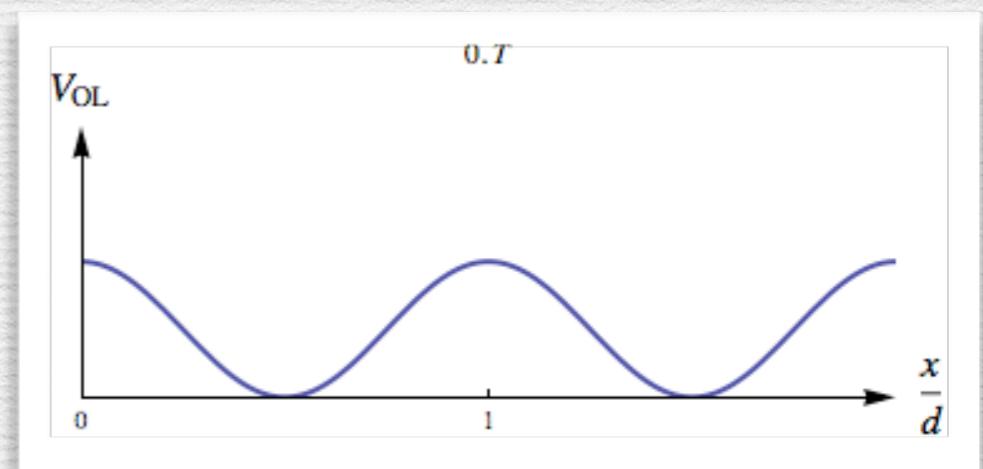
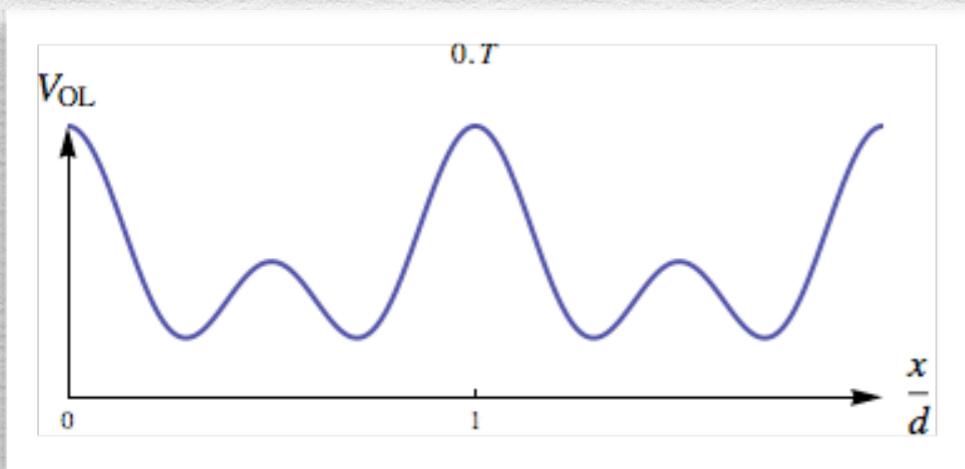
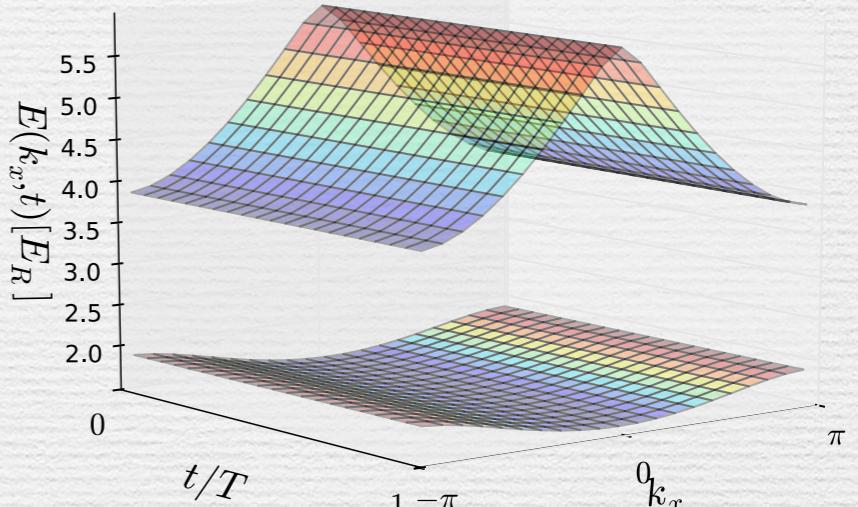
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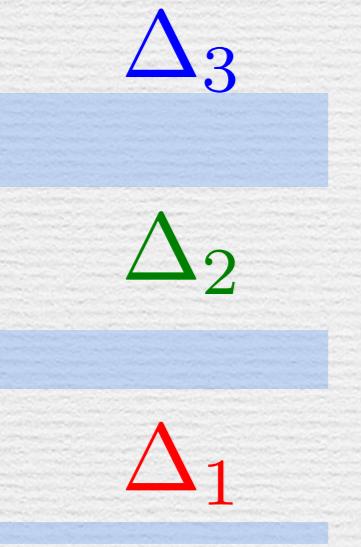


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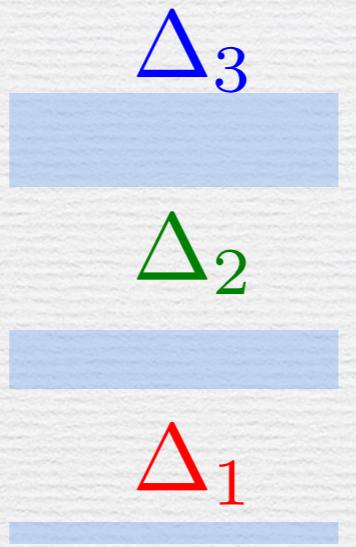
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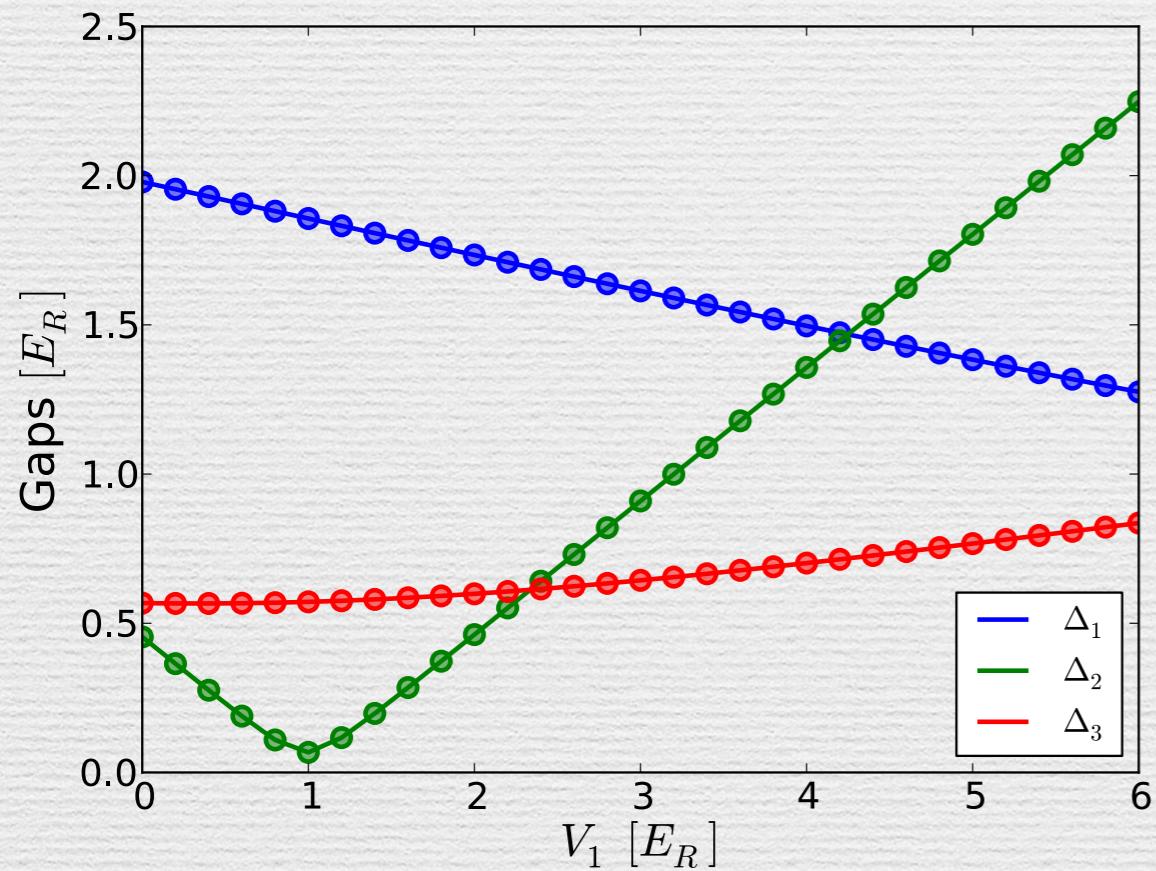
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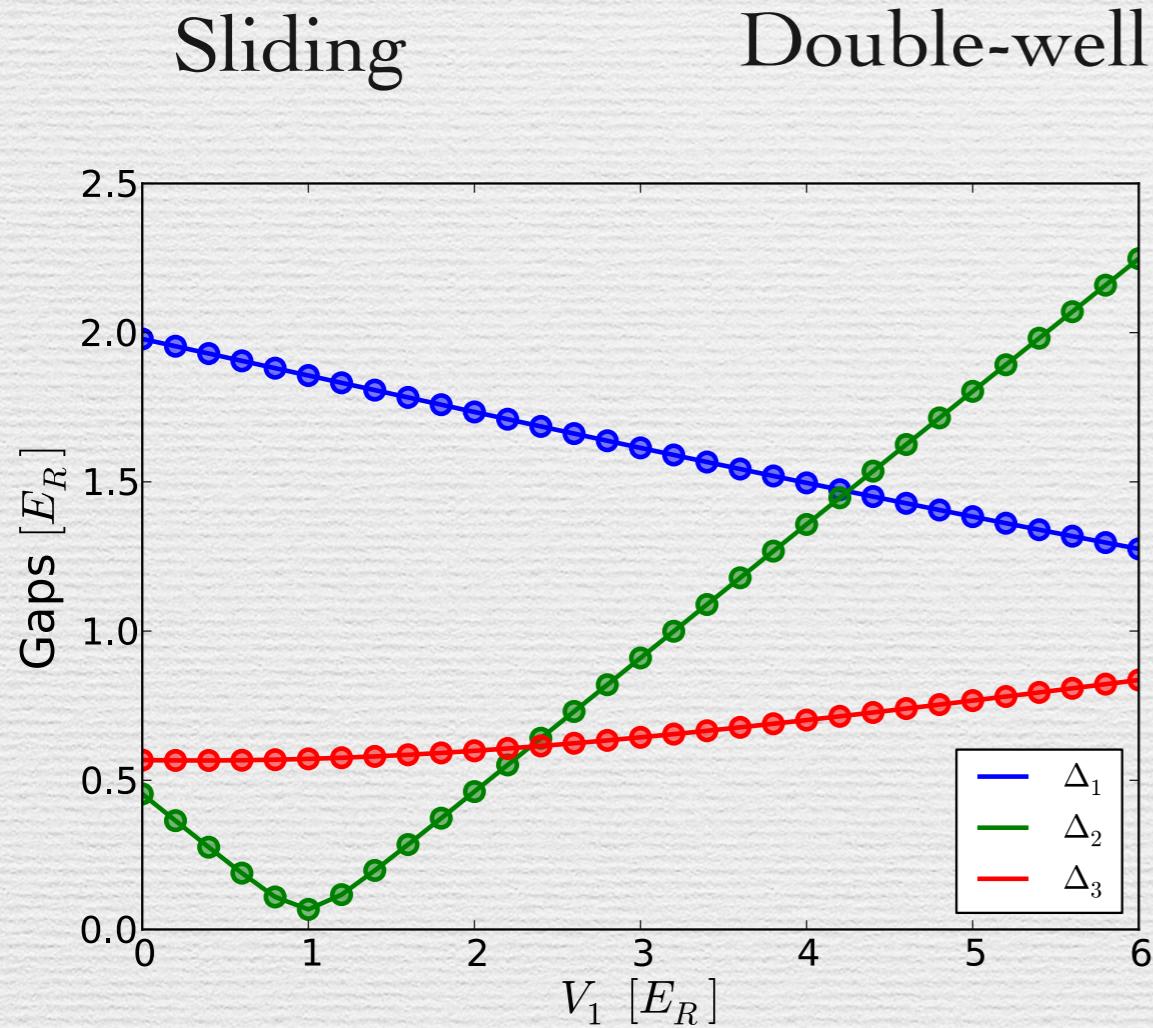
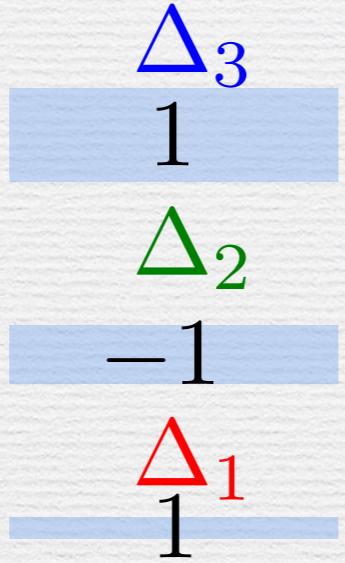
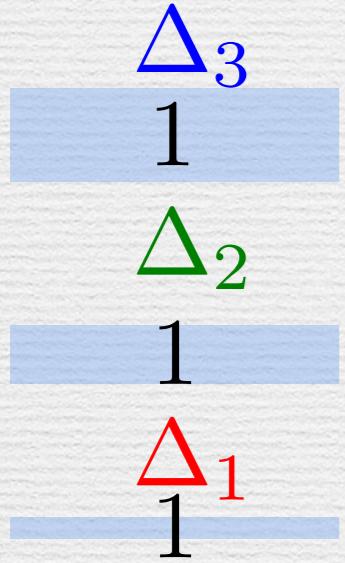
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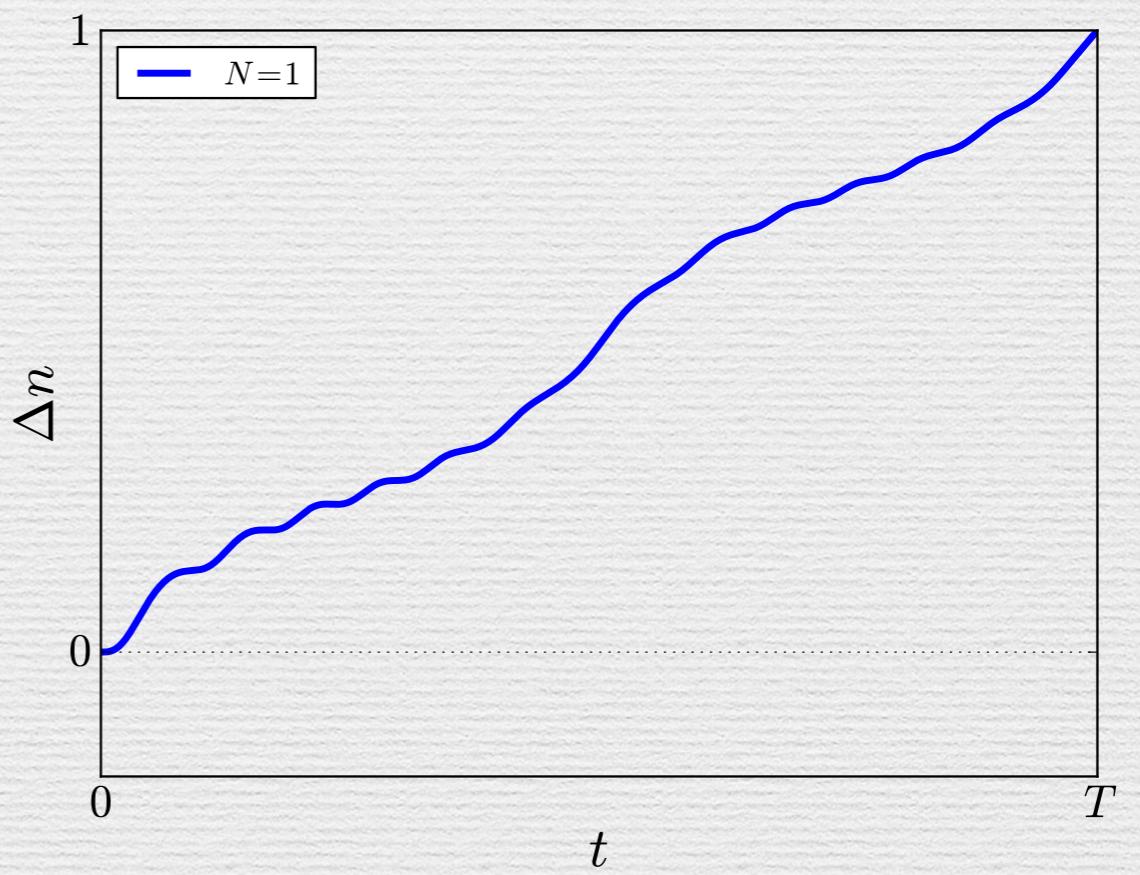
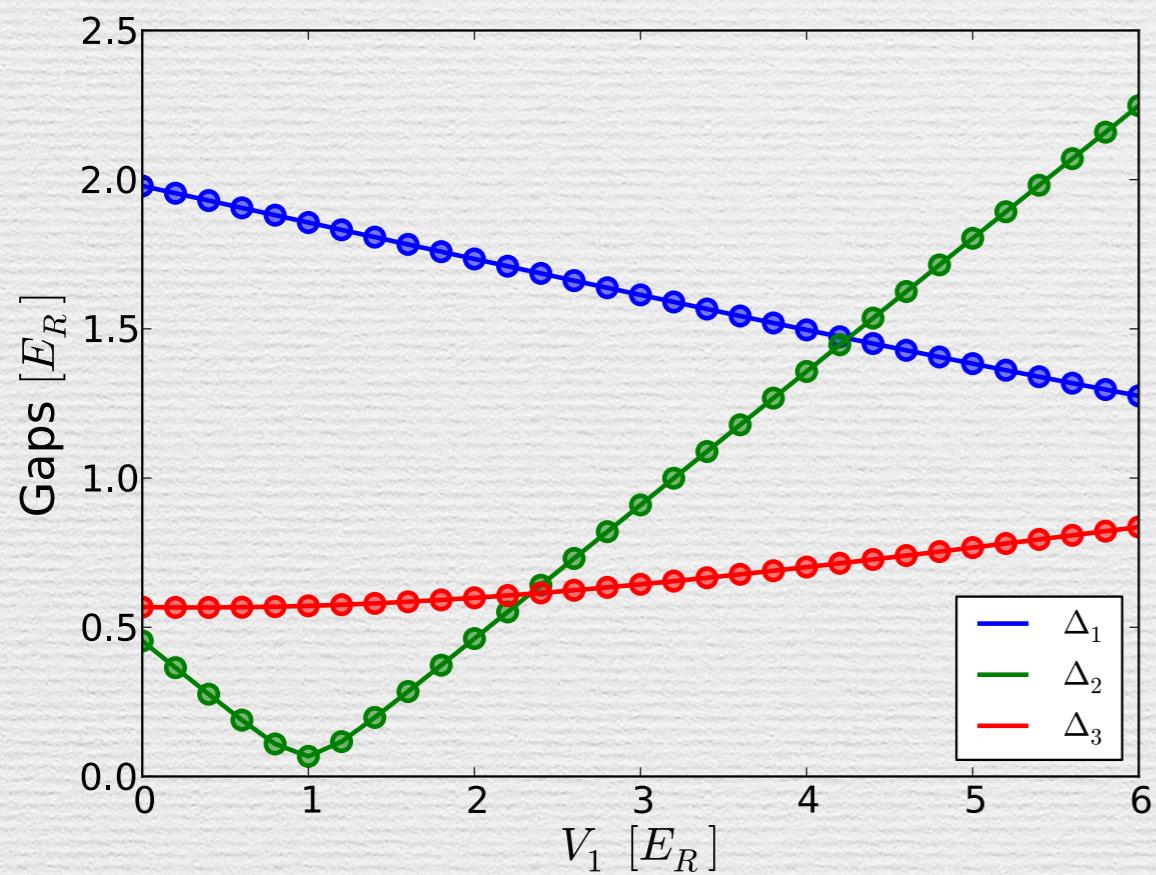
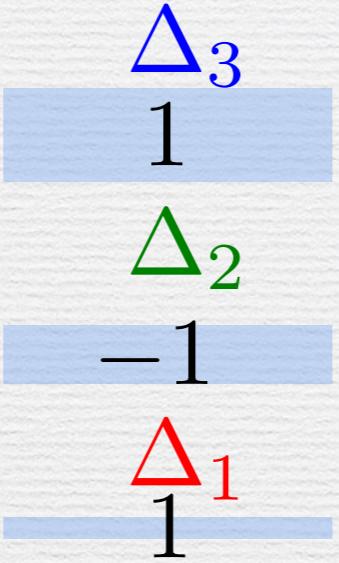
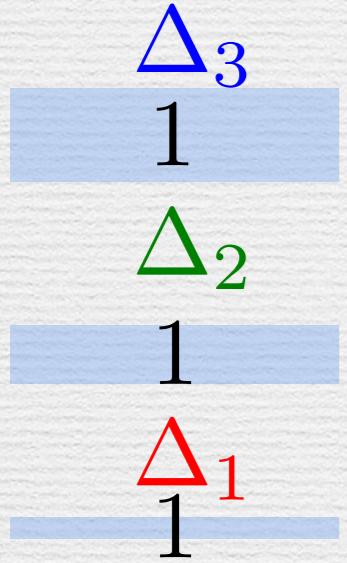
Double-well



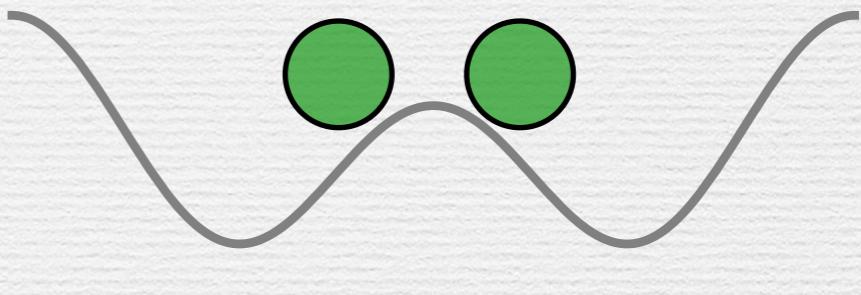
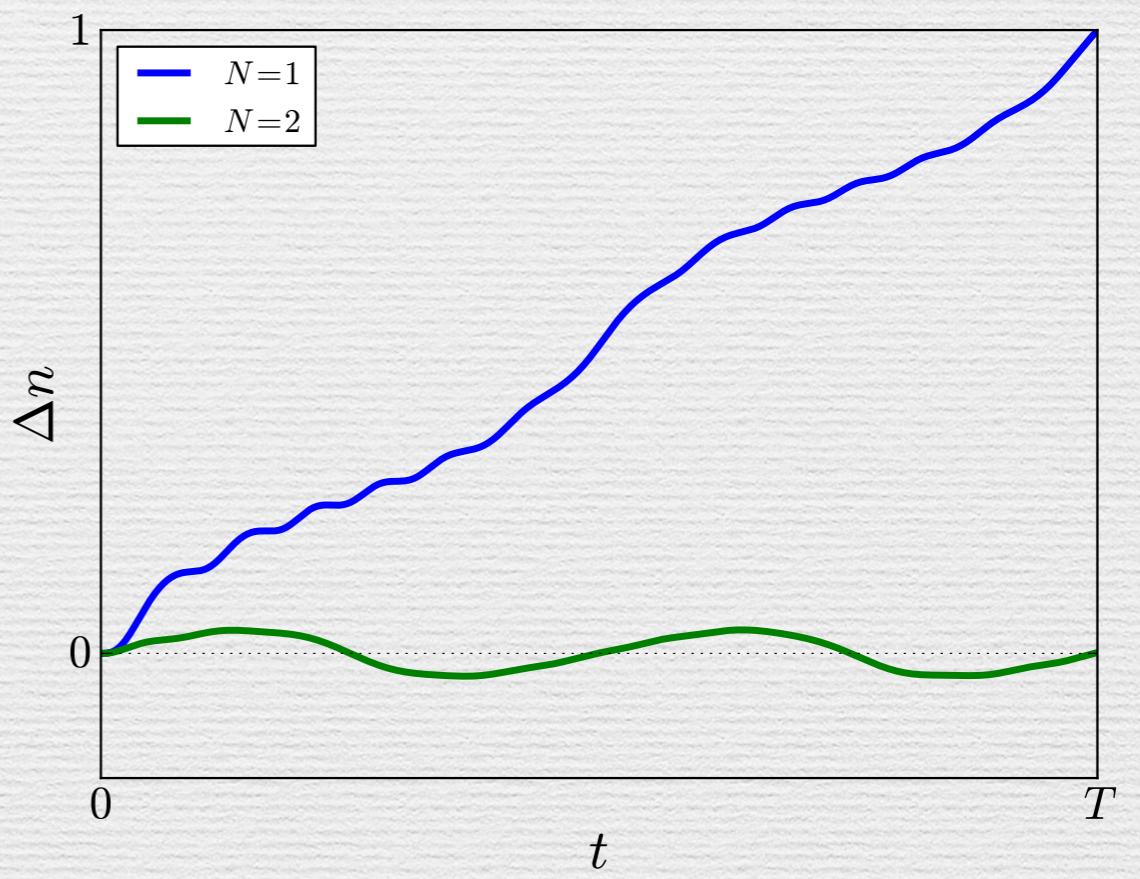
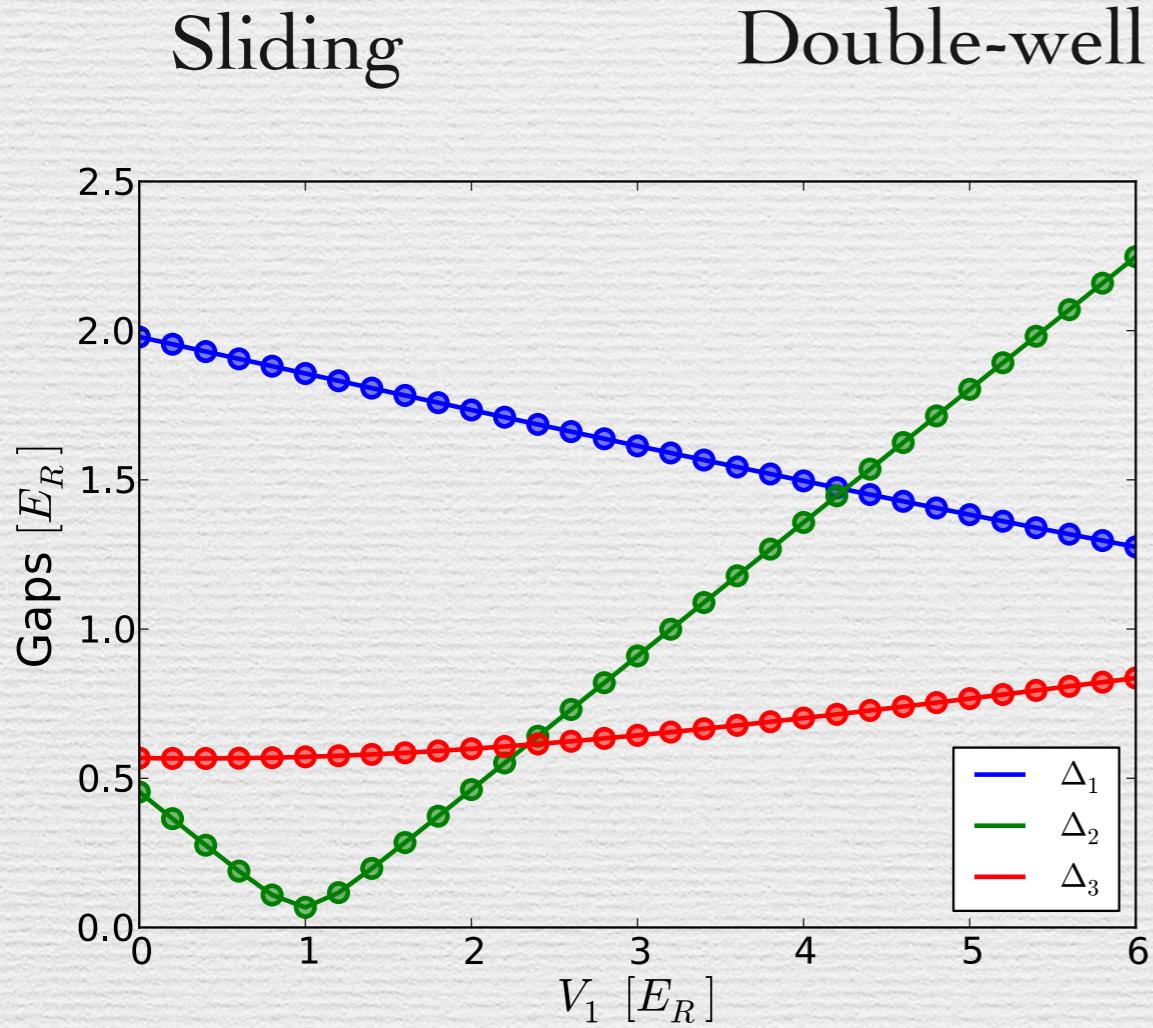
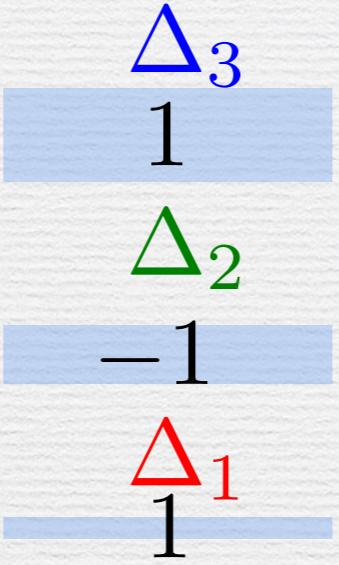
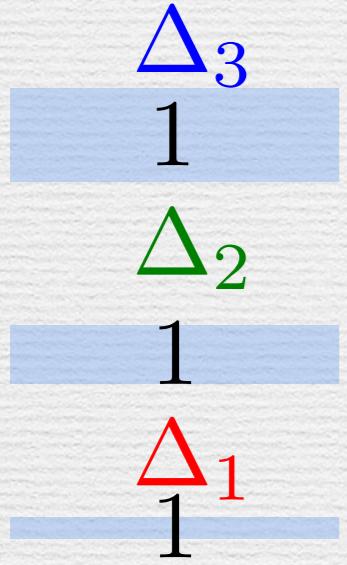
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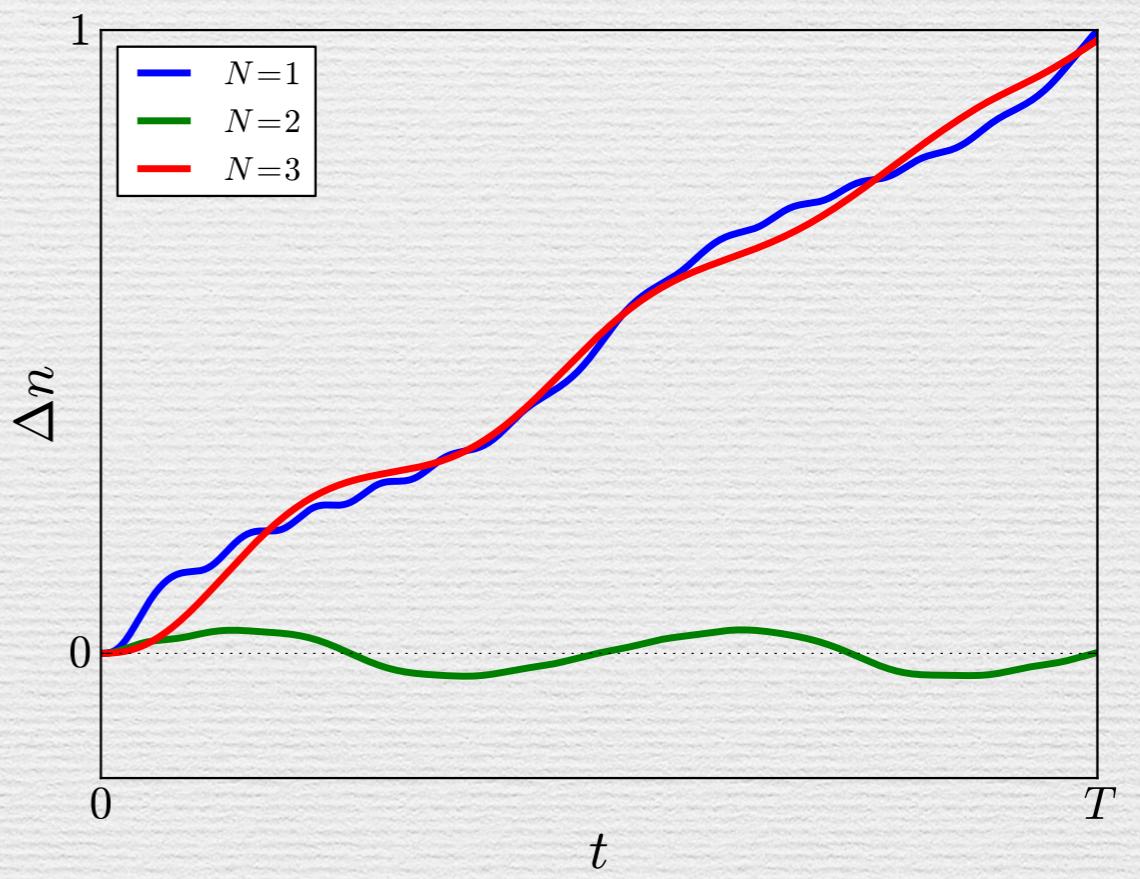
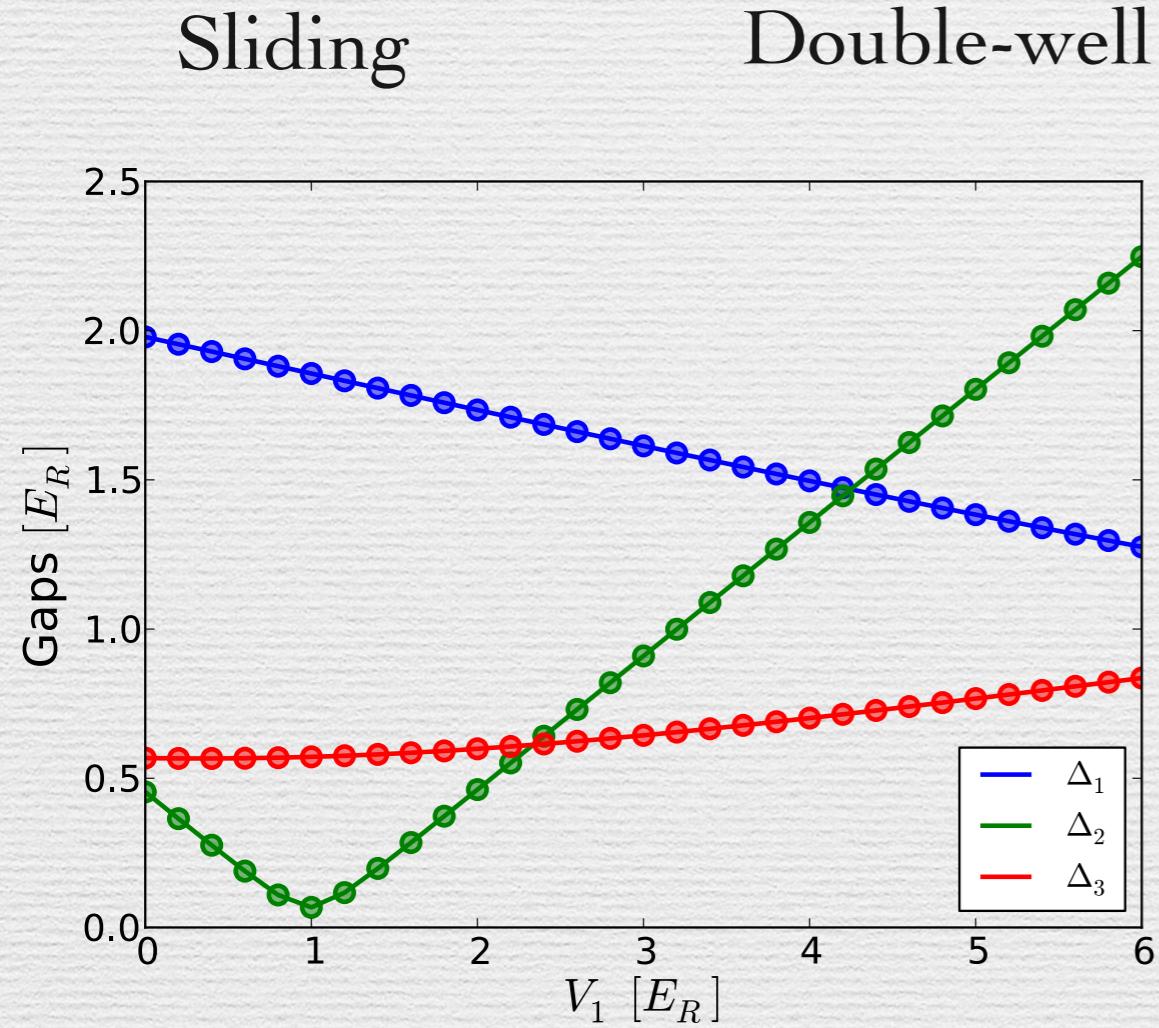
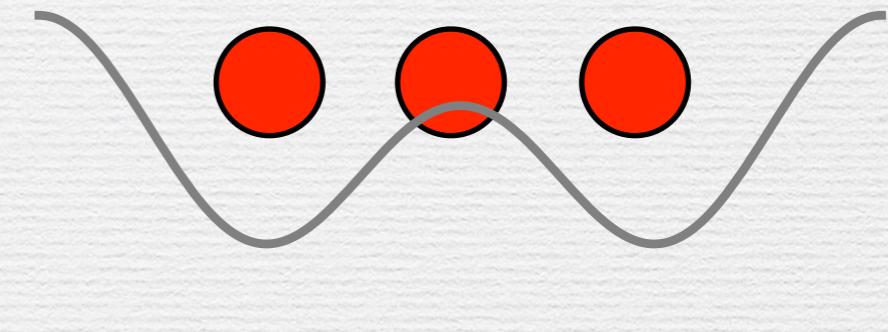
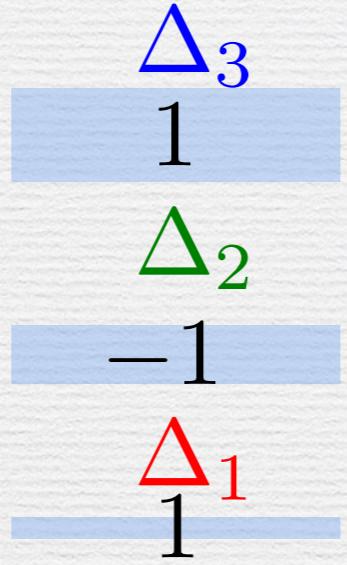
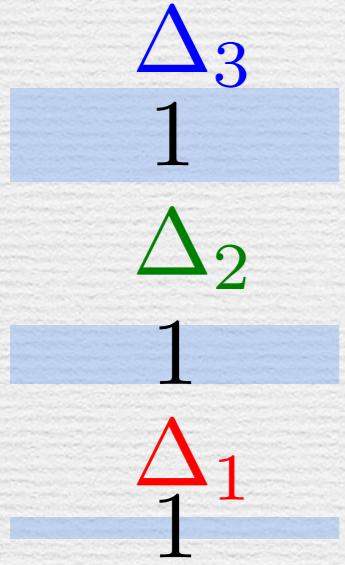
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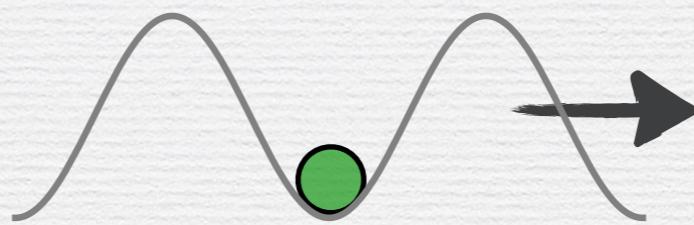


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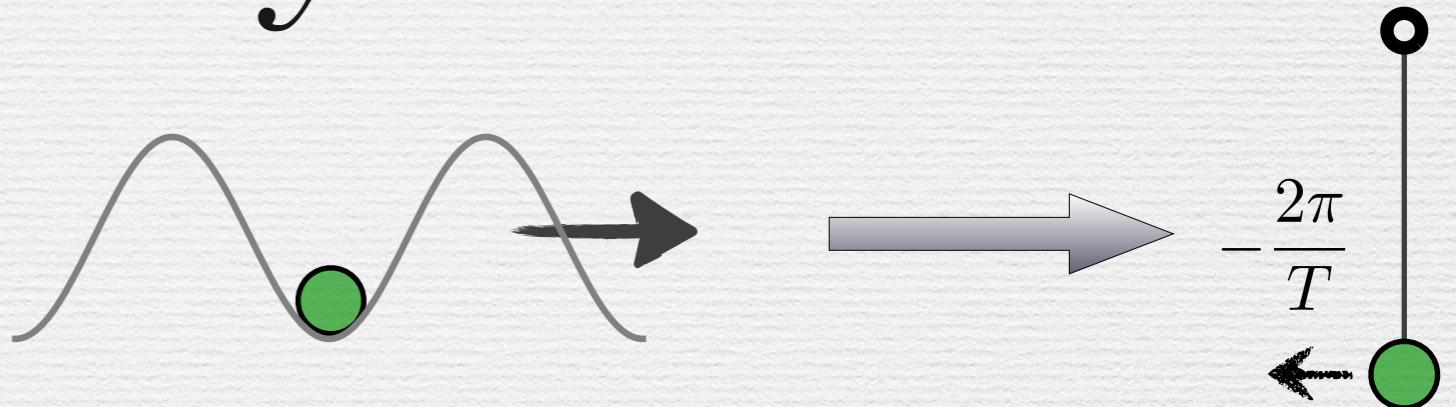
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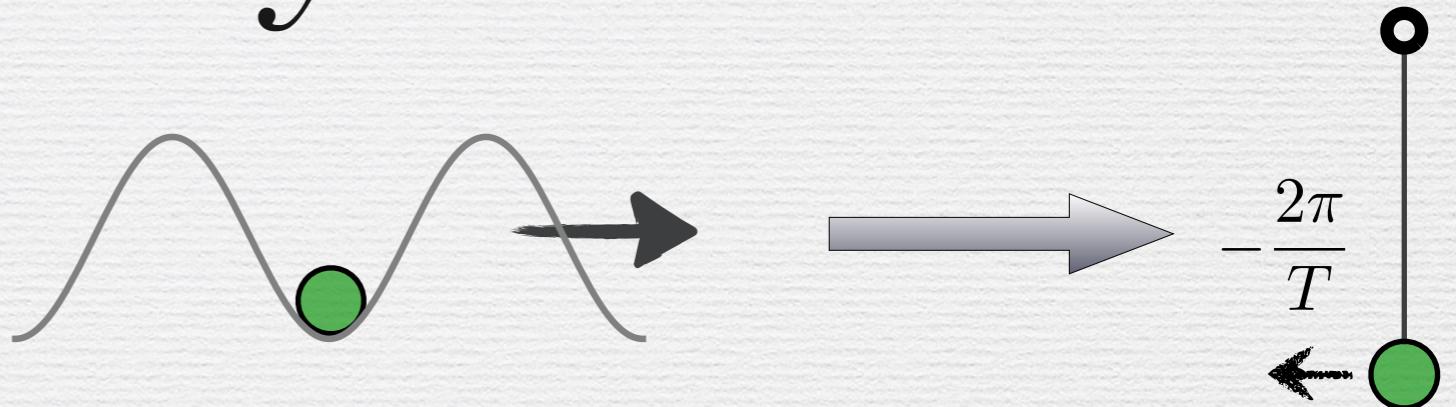
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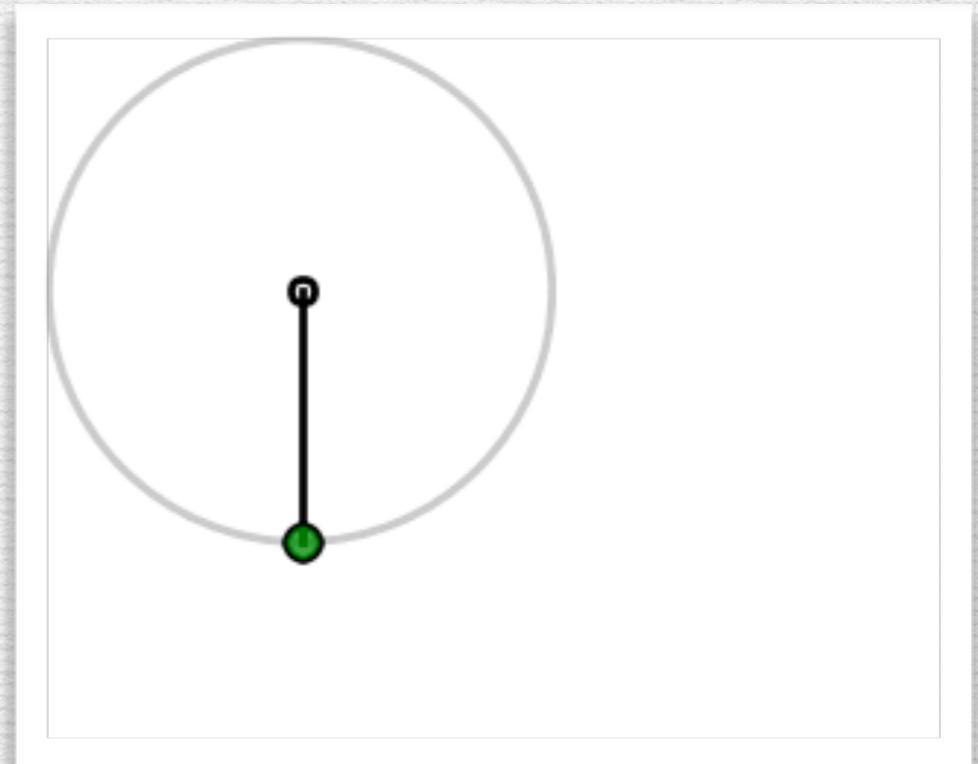
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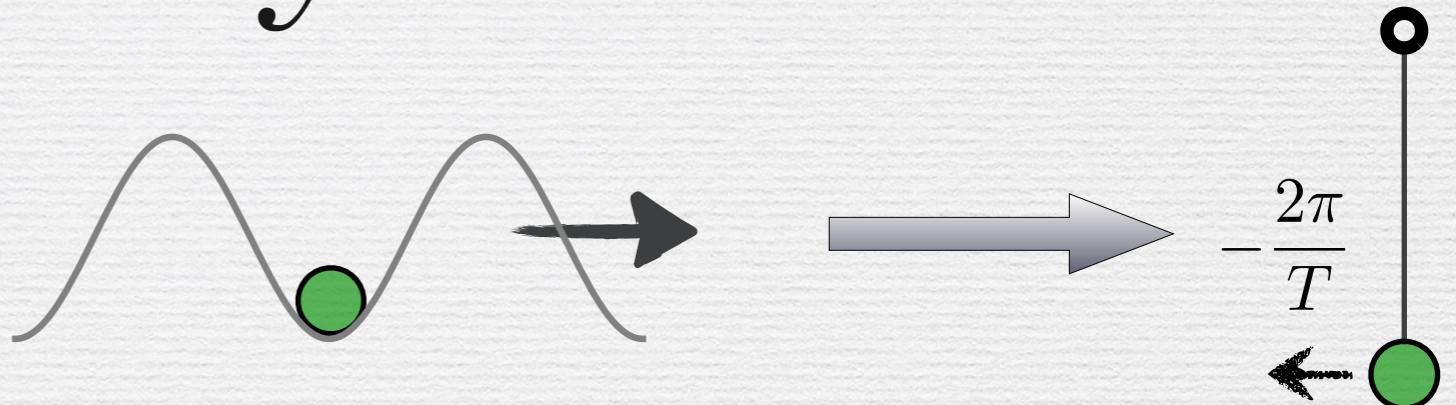


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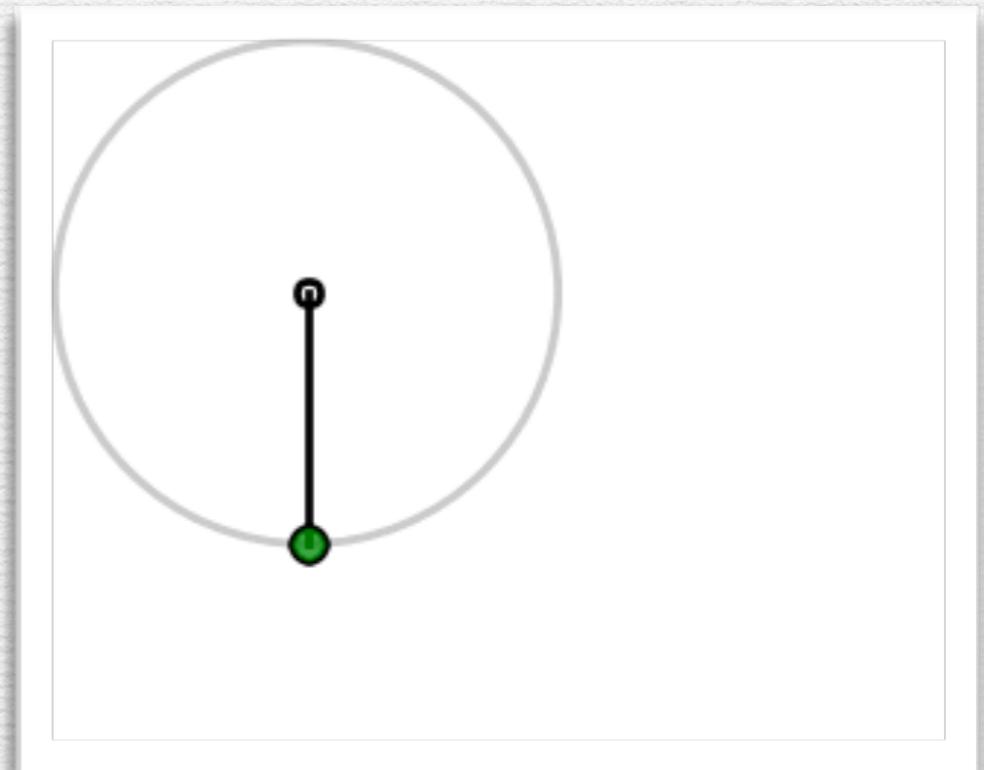


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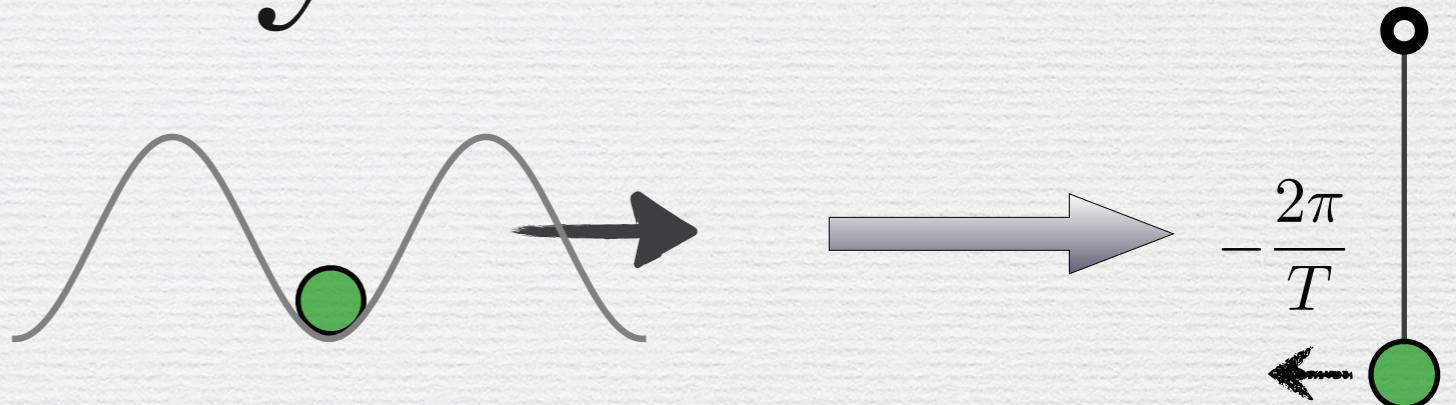


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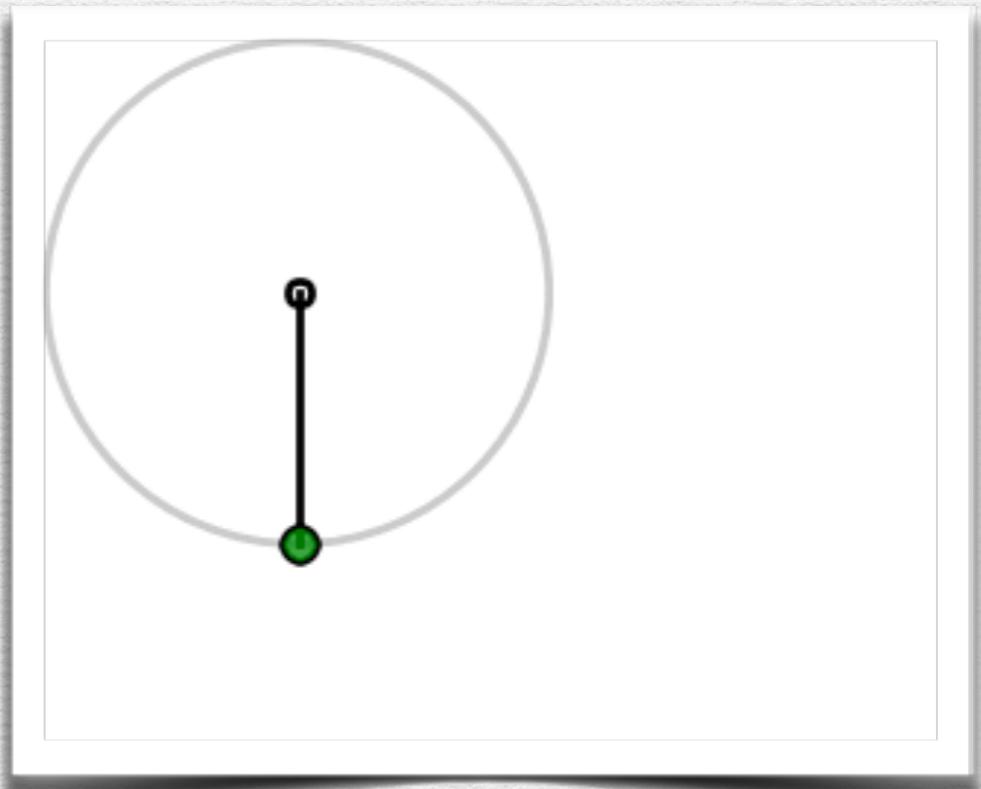


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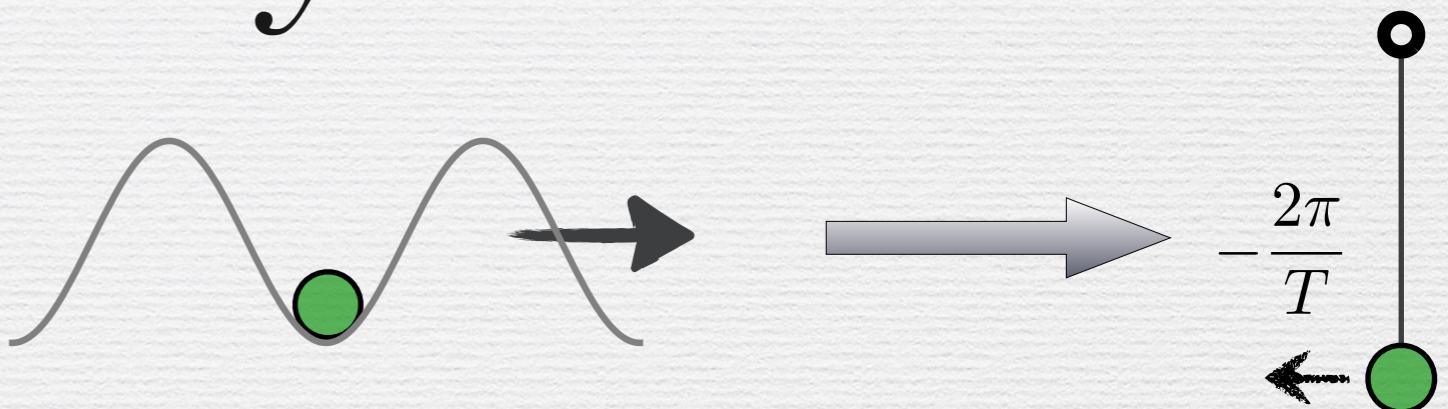


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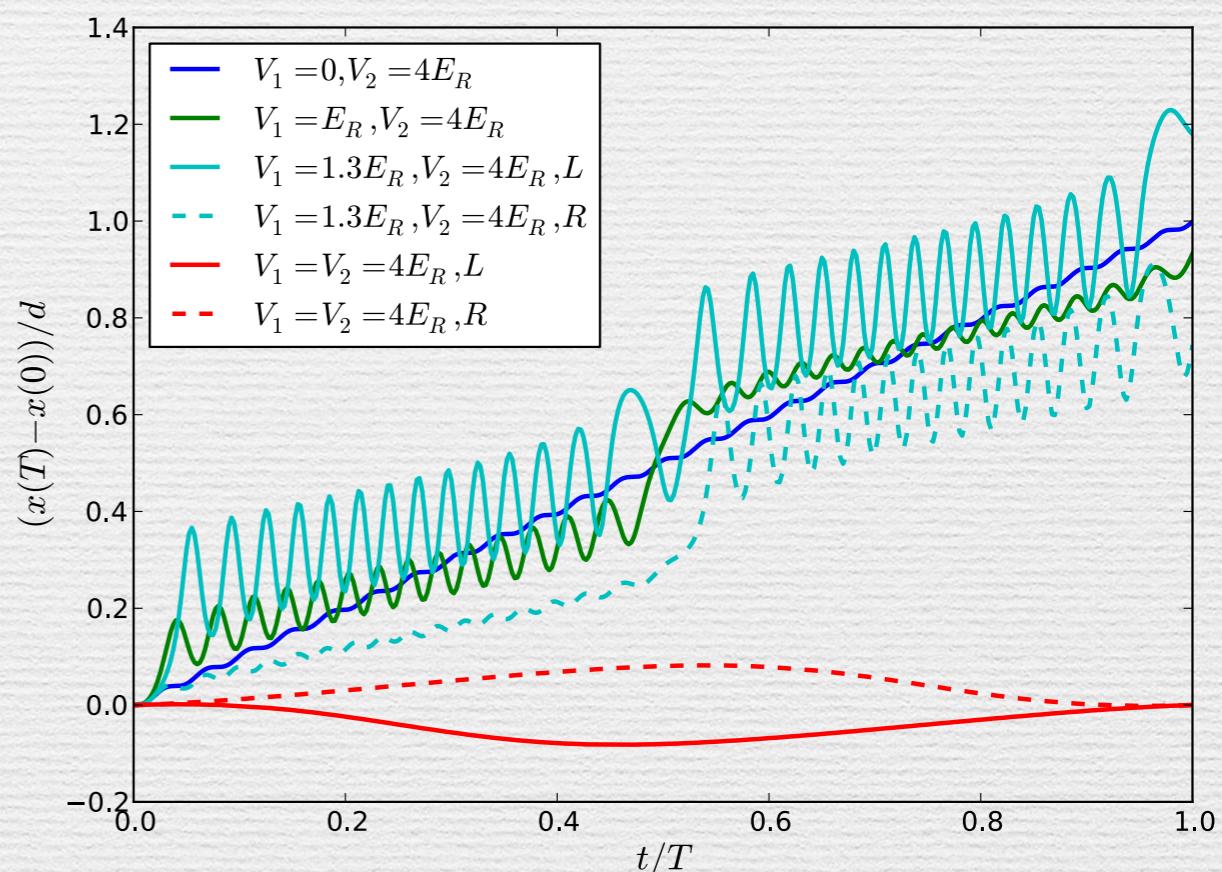


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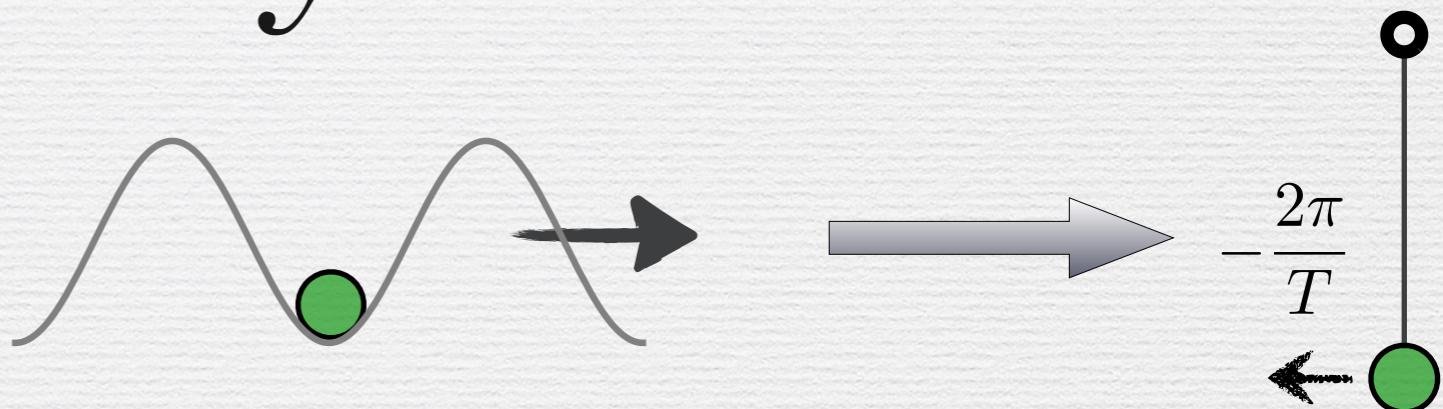


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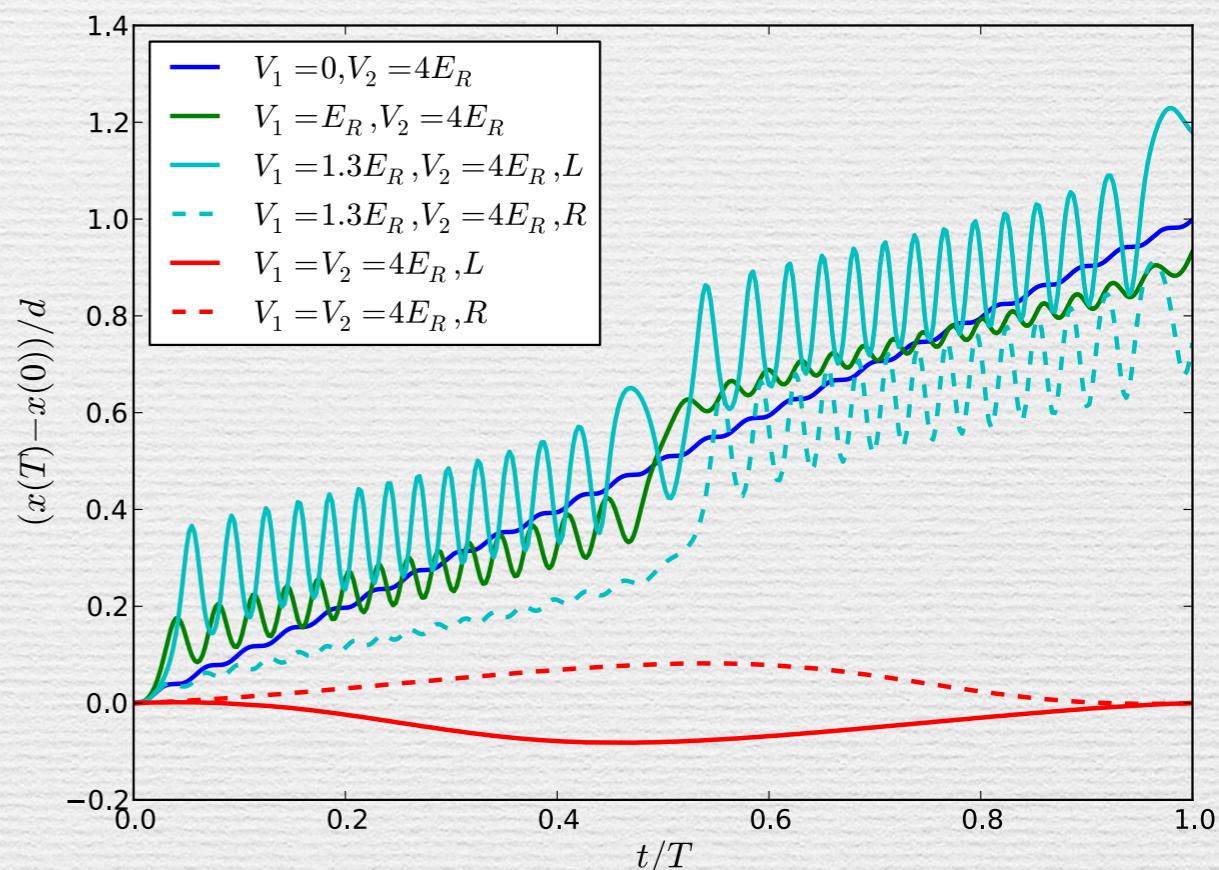


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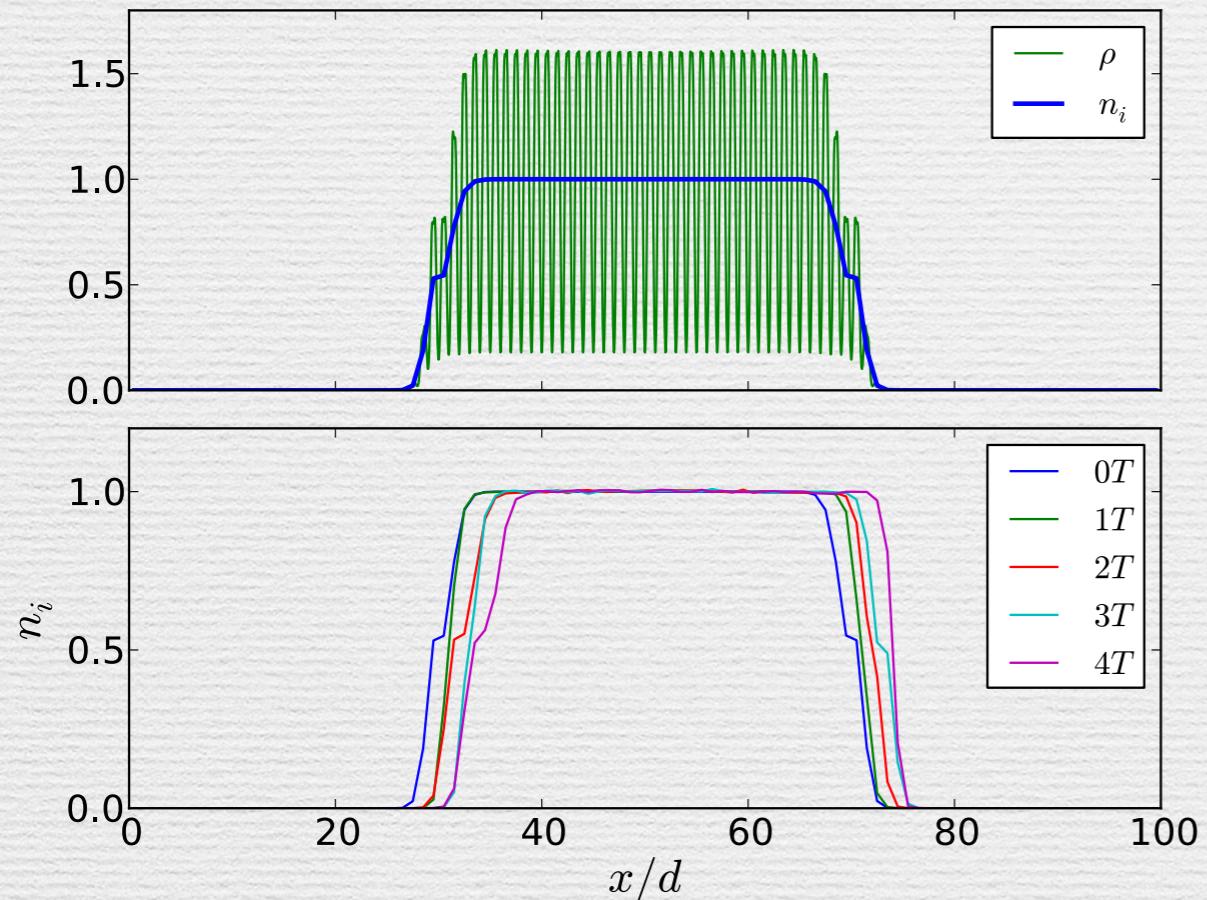
In general, classical pumped charge is
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Practical issues

- ❖ Detection
- ❖ External trap
- ❖ Temperature effect
- ❖ Non-adiabatic effect

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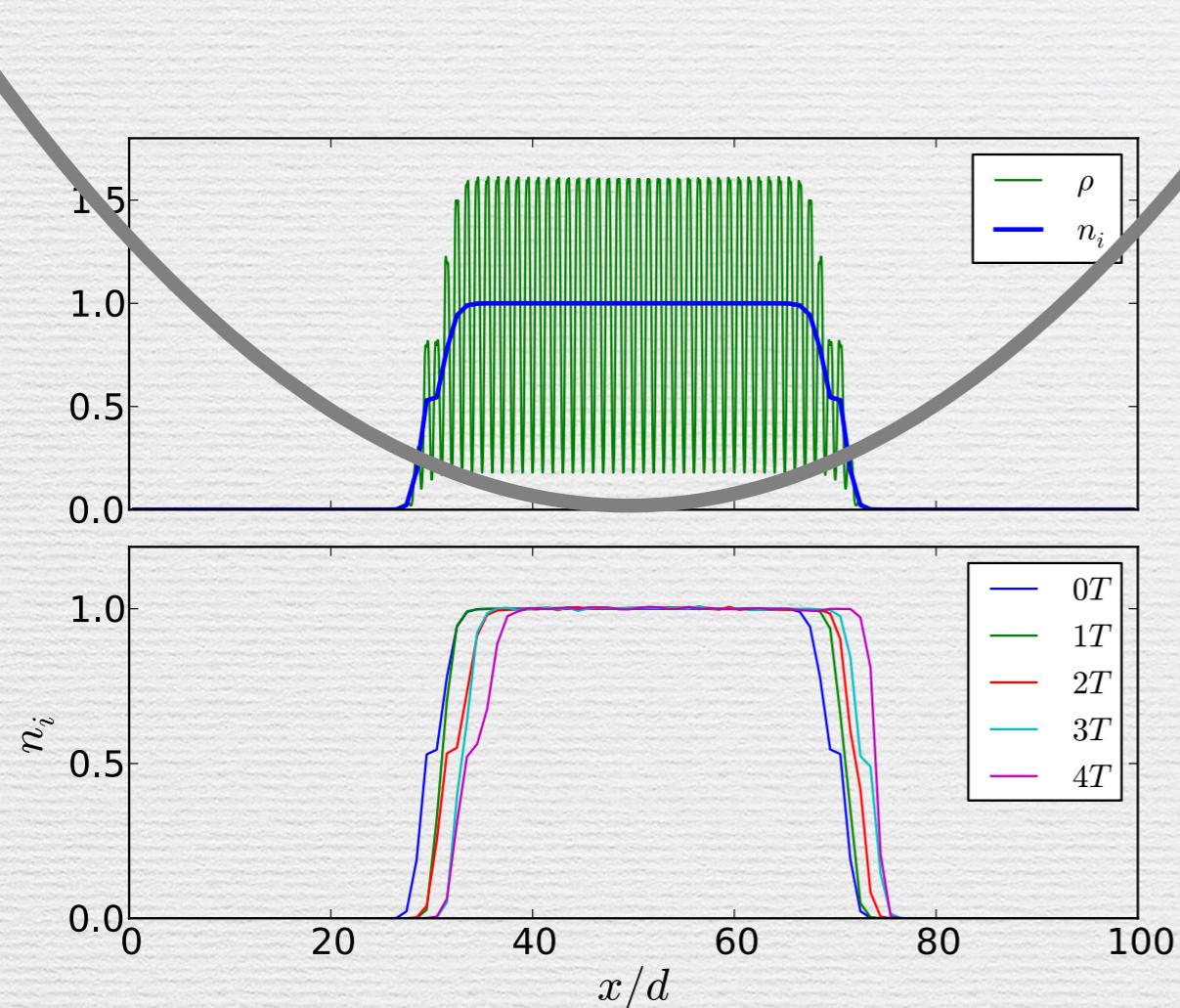
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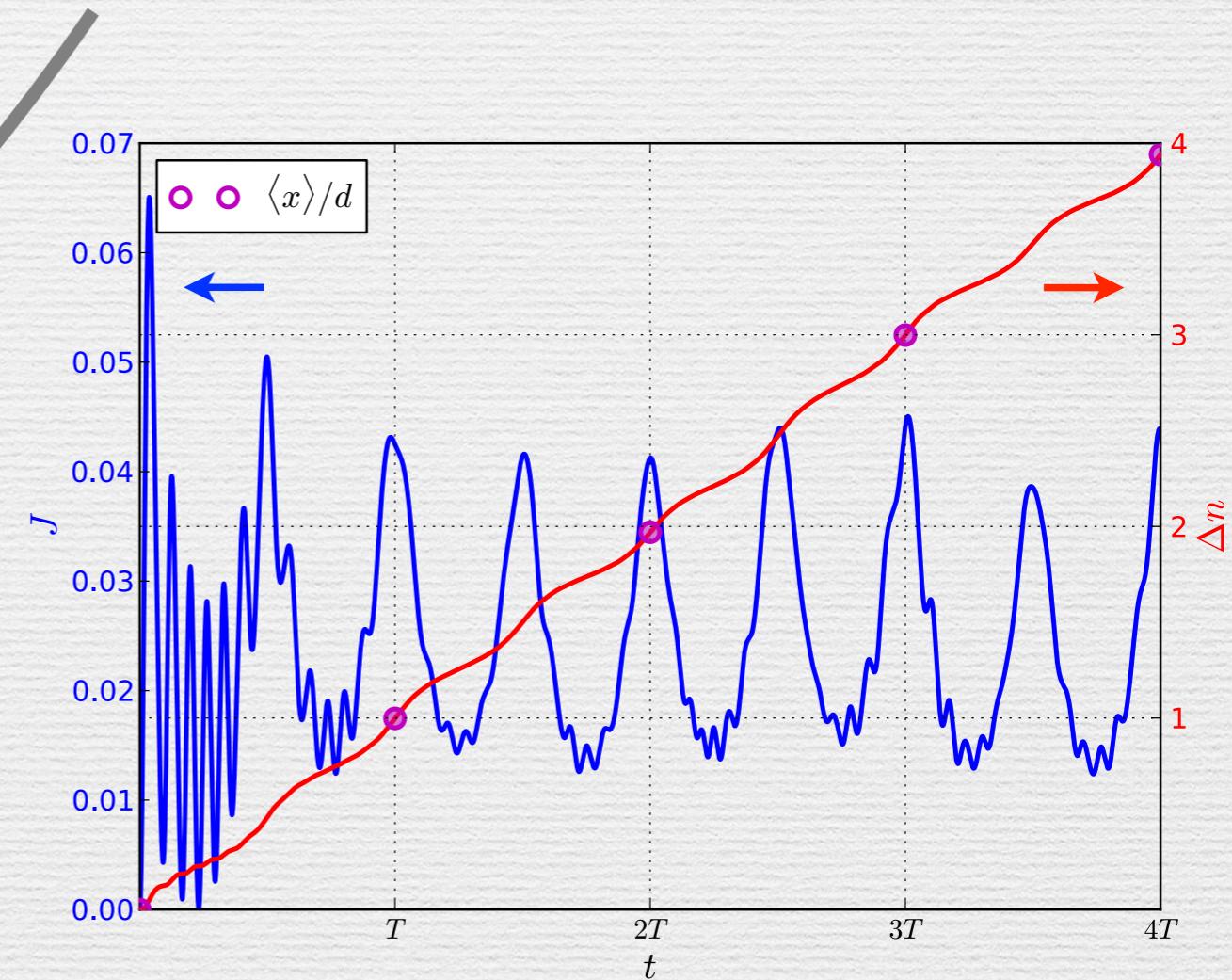
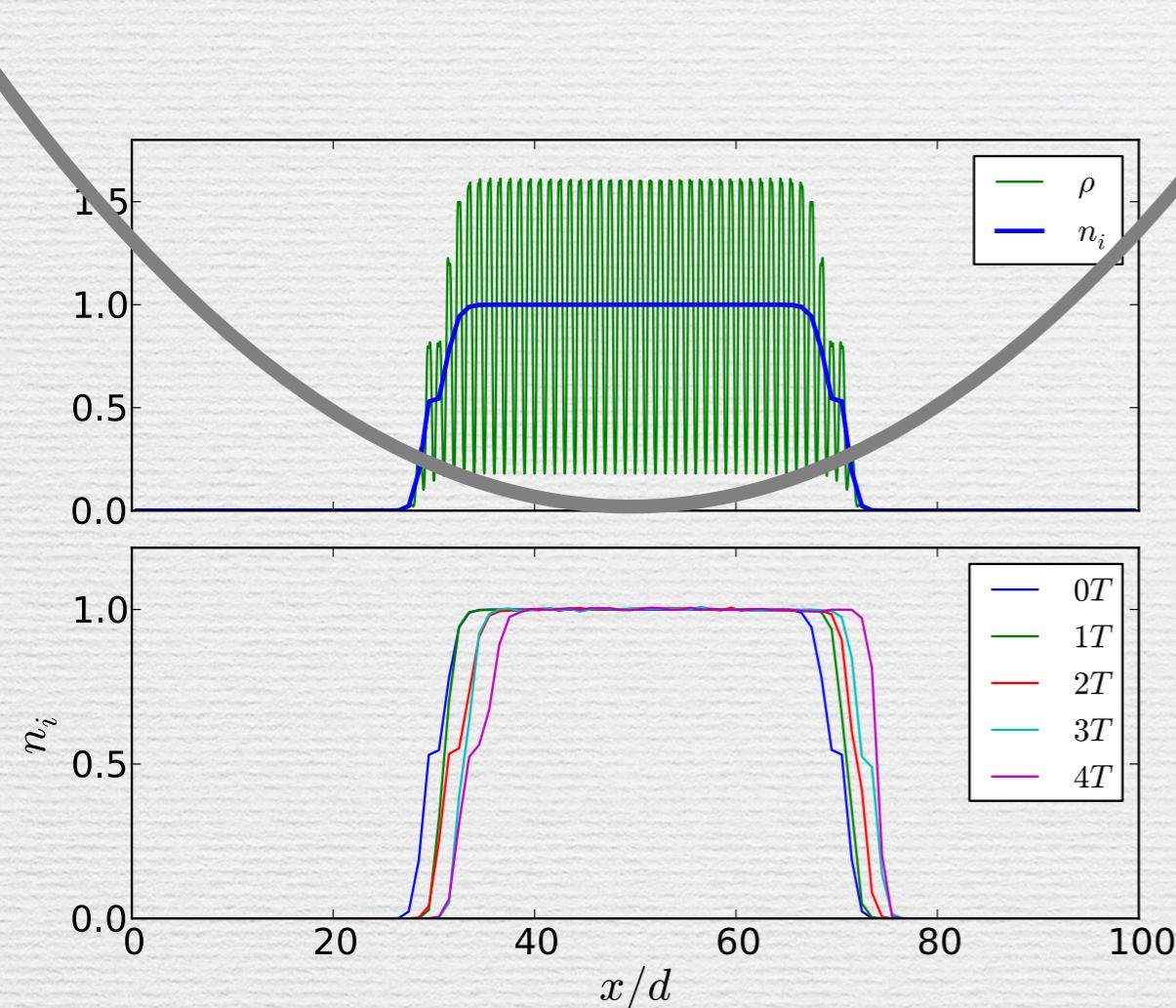
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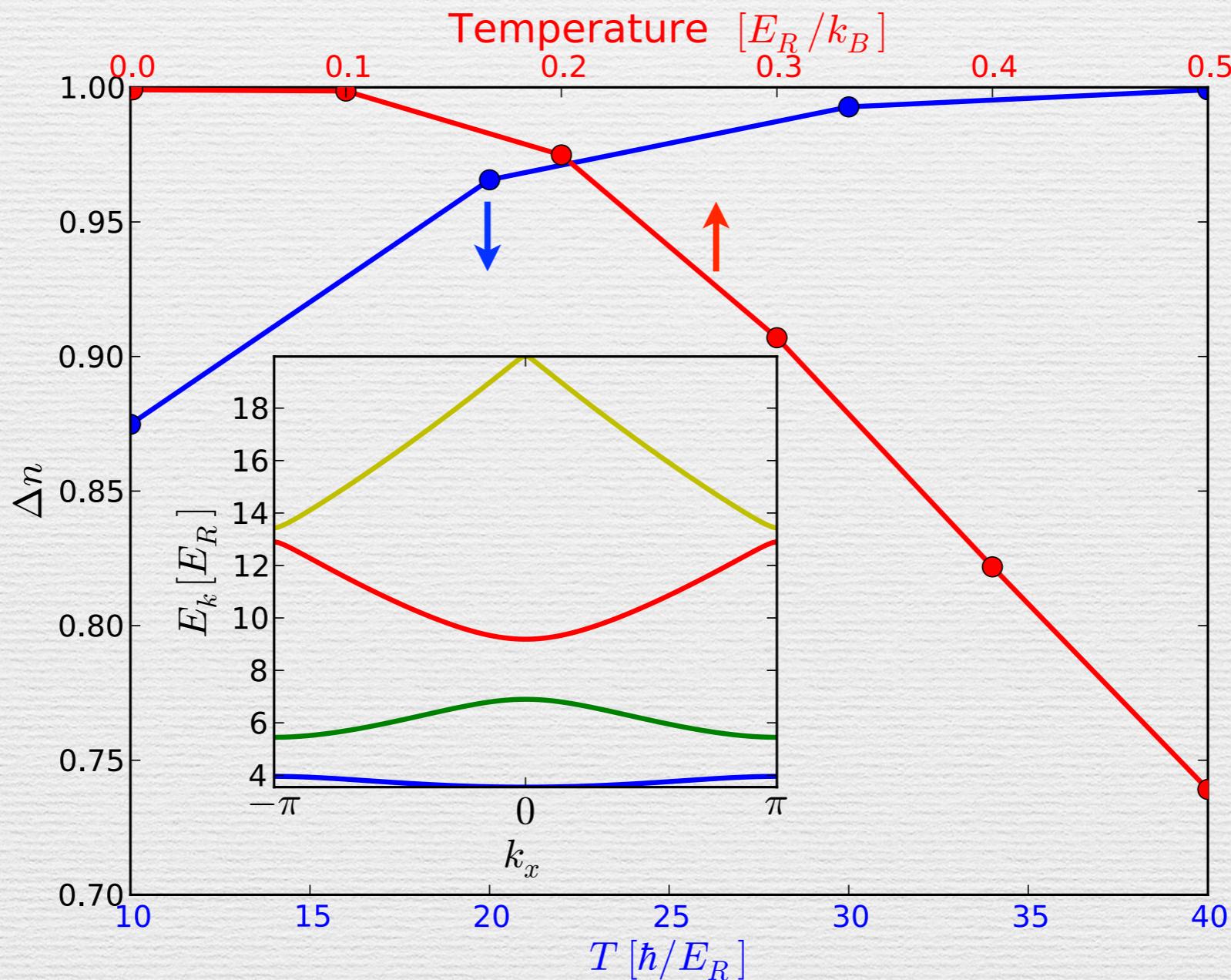
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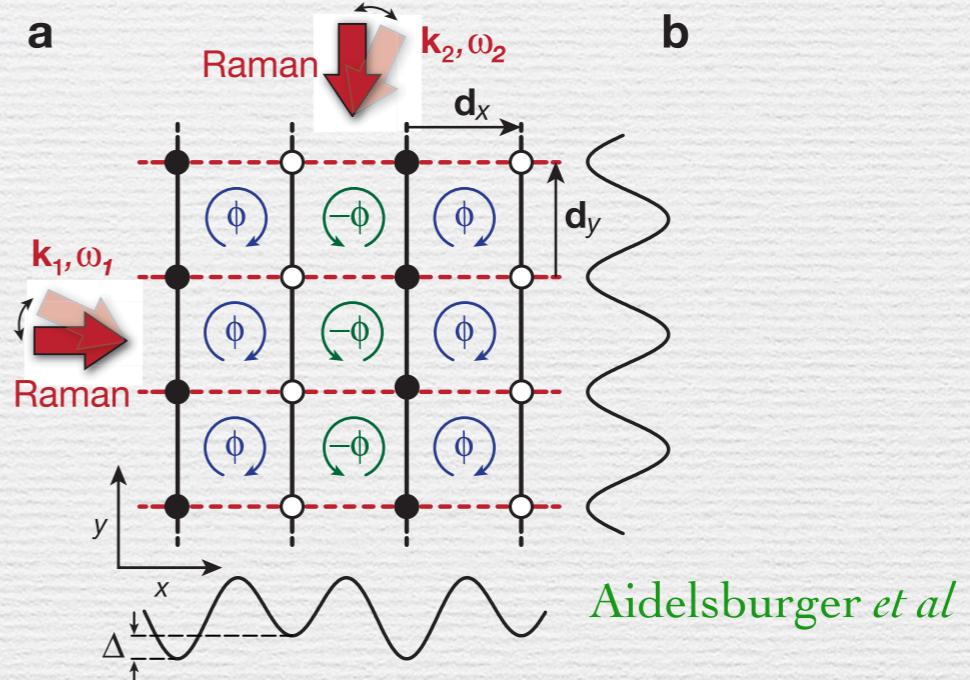
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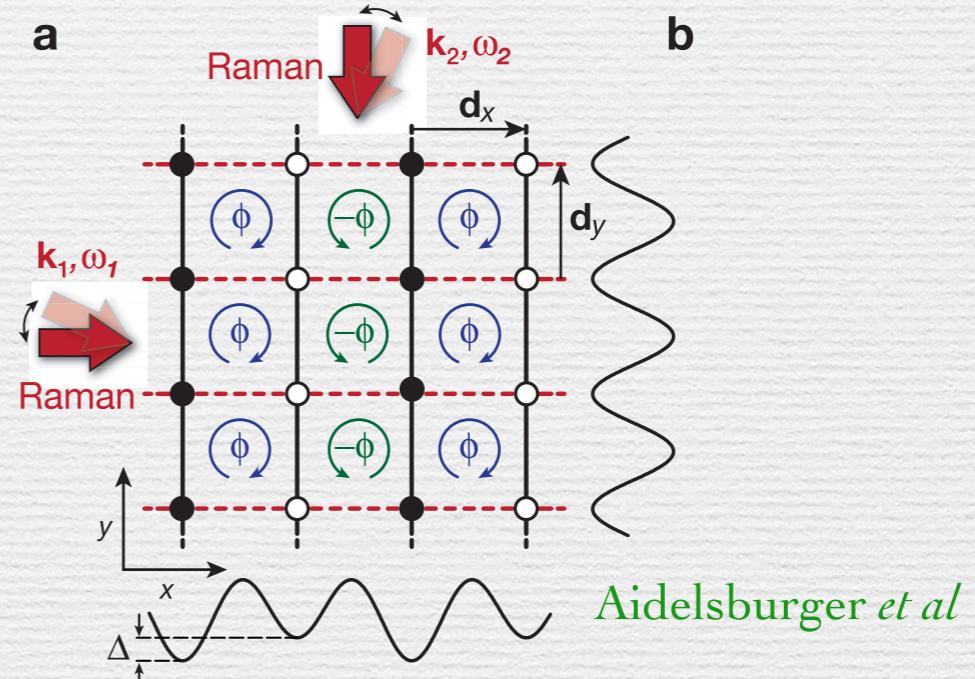
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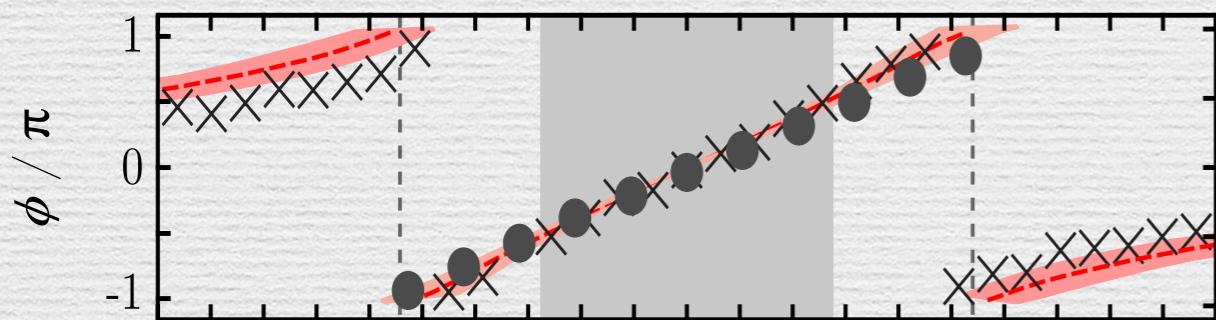


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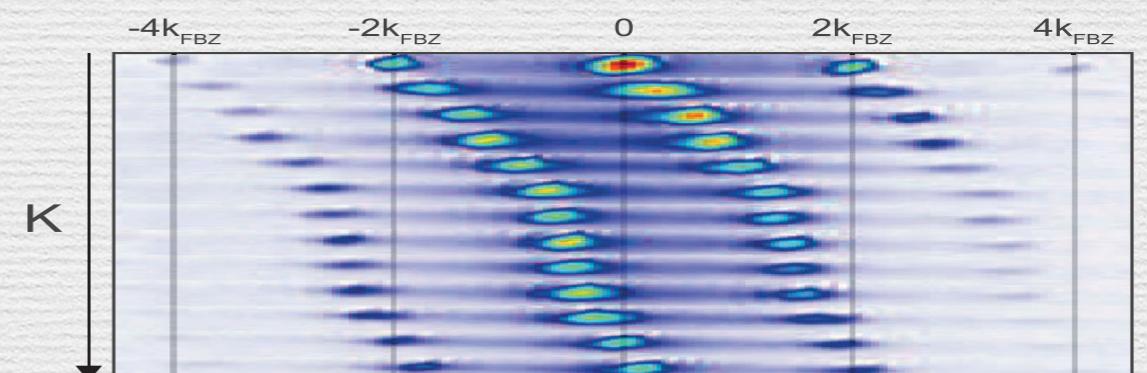
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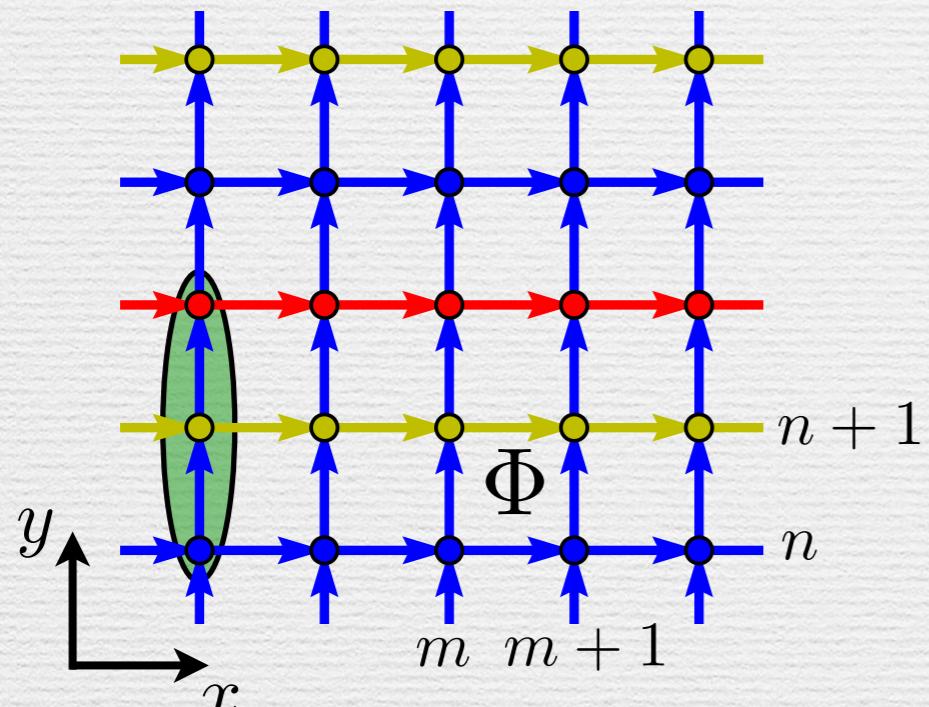
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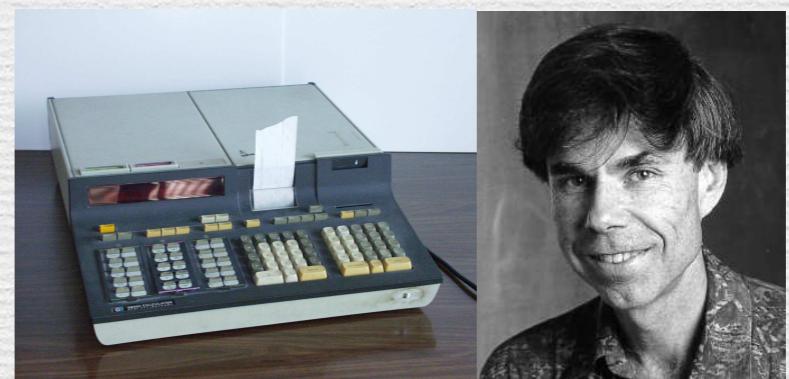
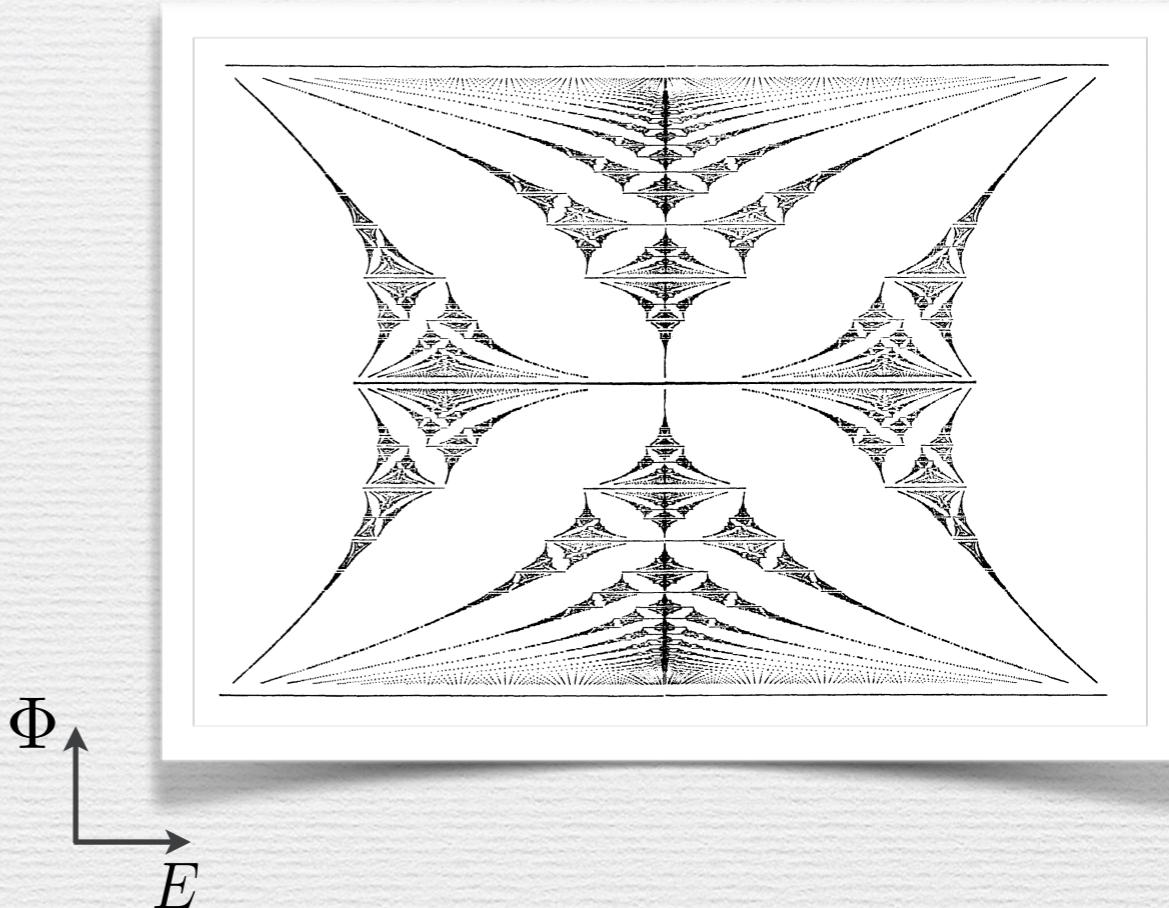
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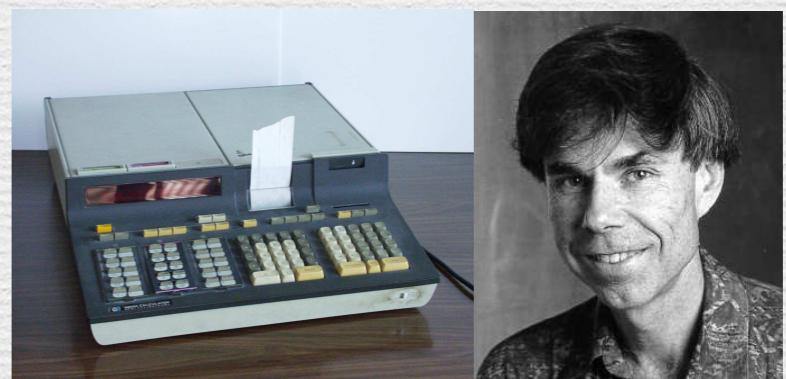
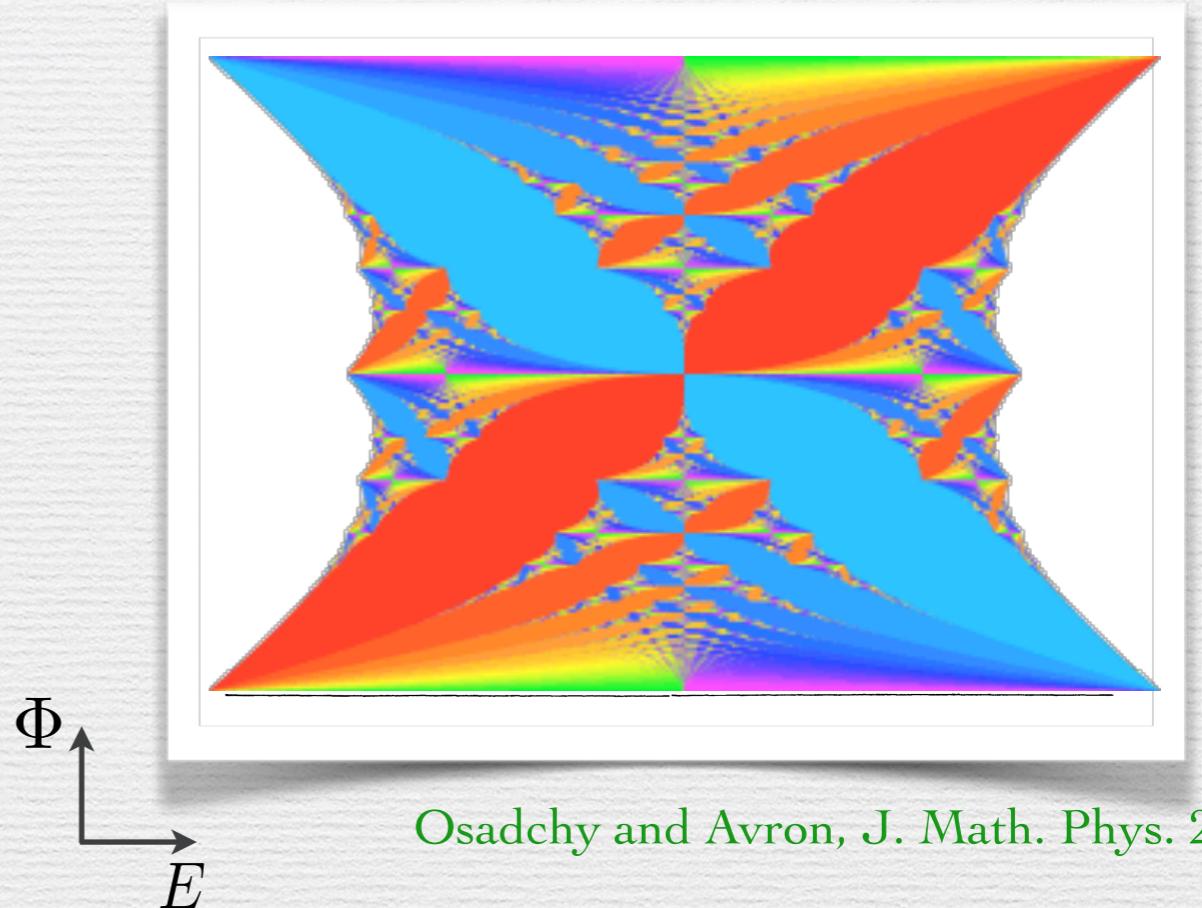
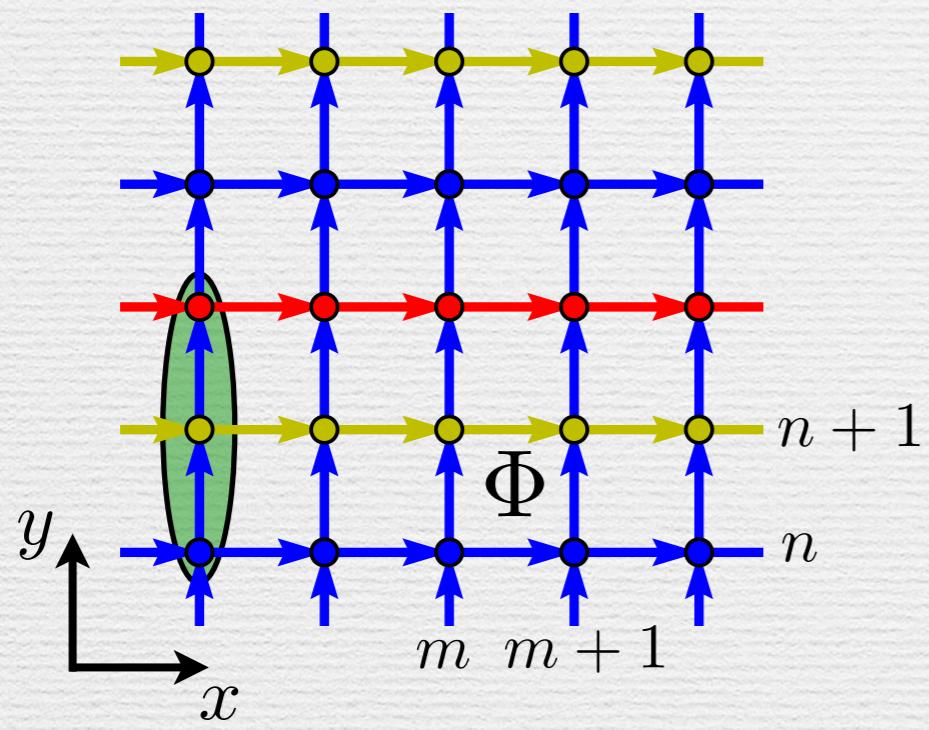


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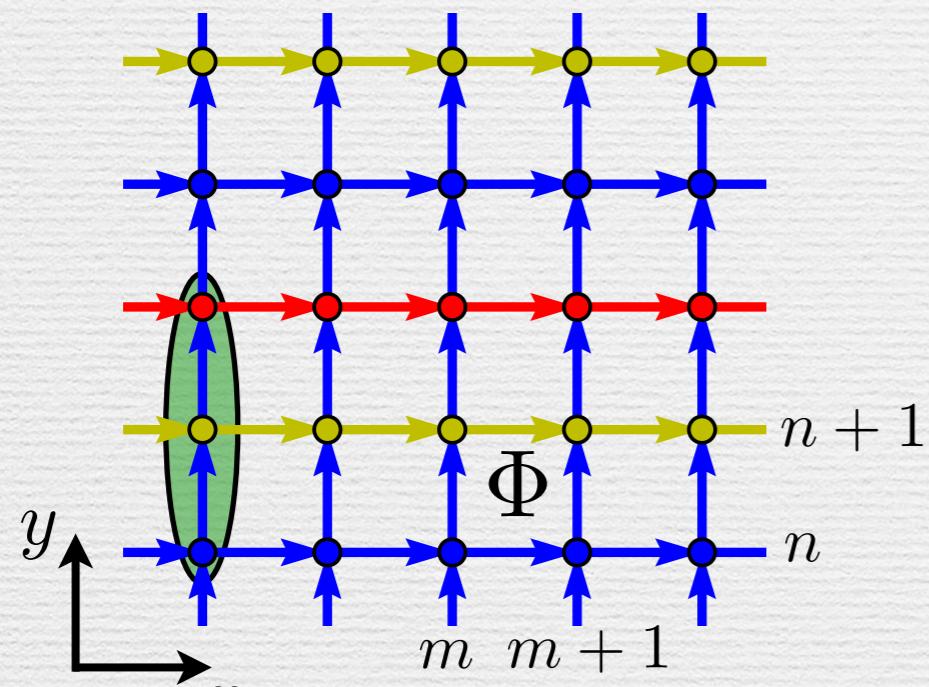
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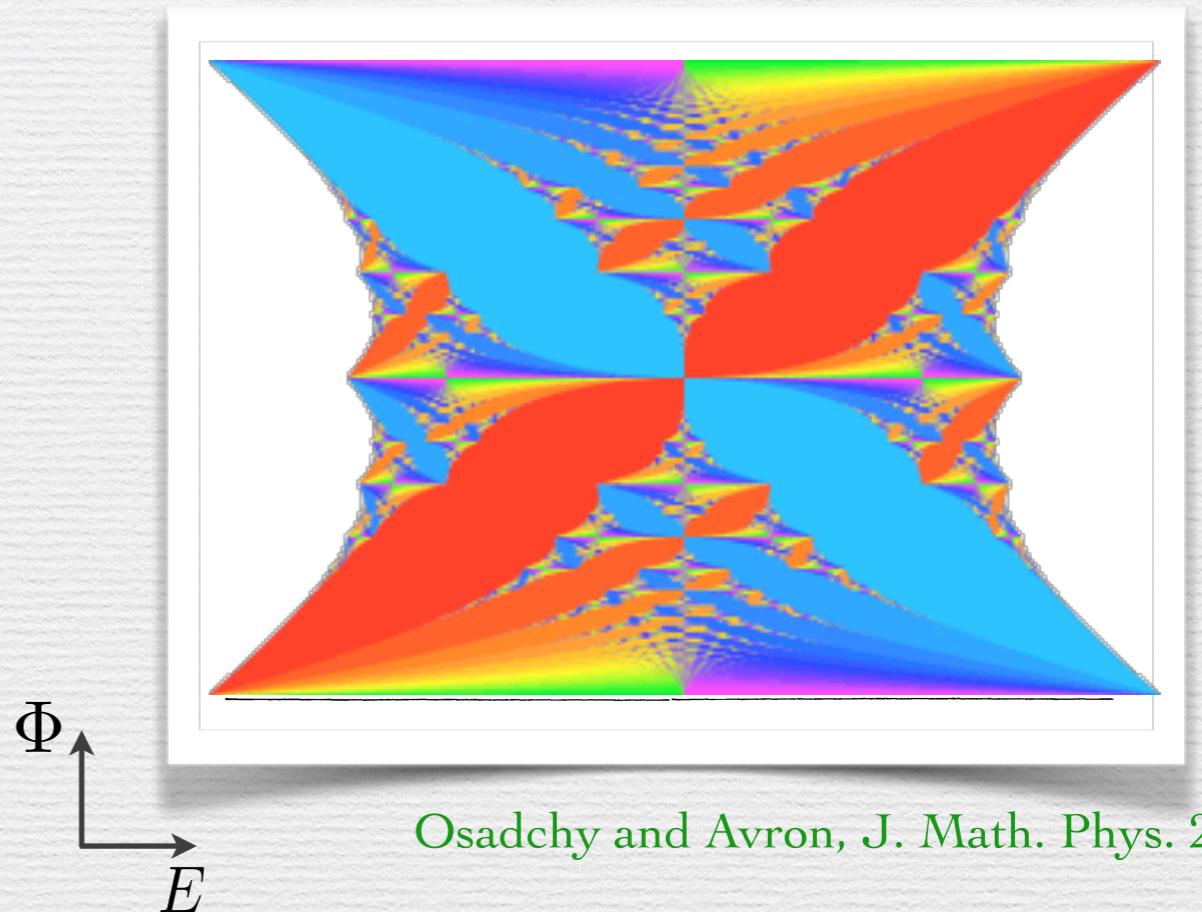


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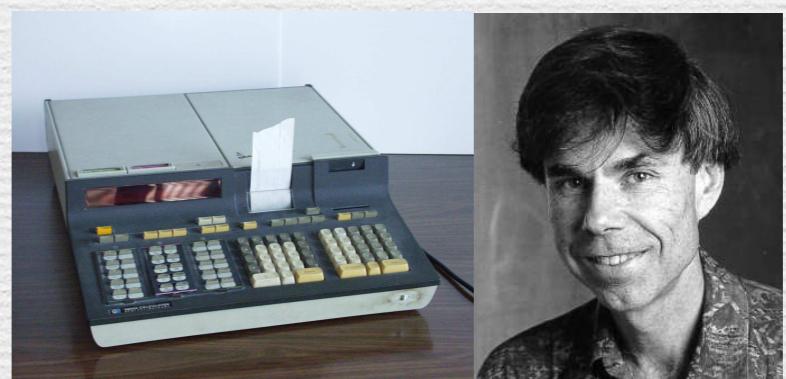
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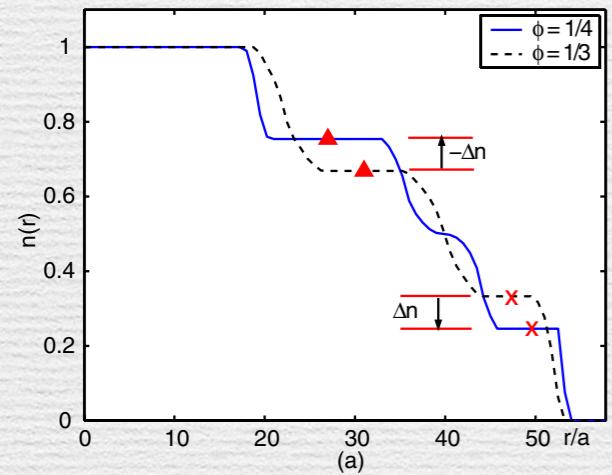


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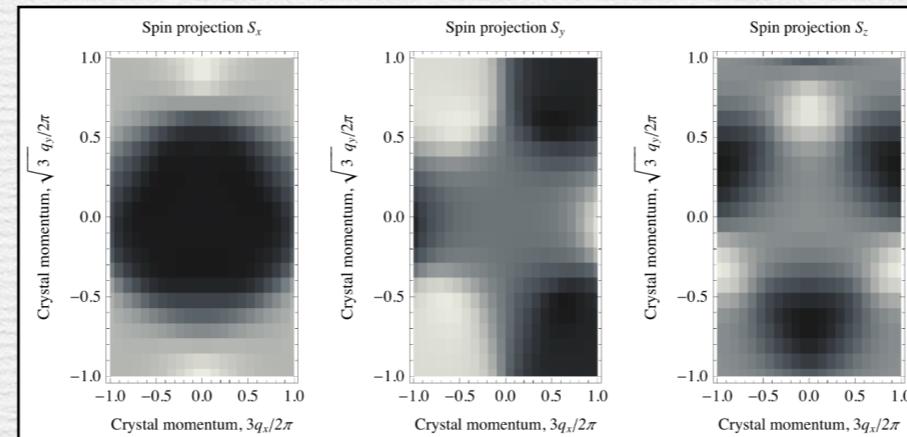
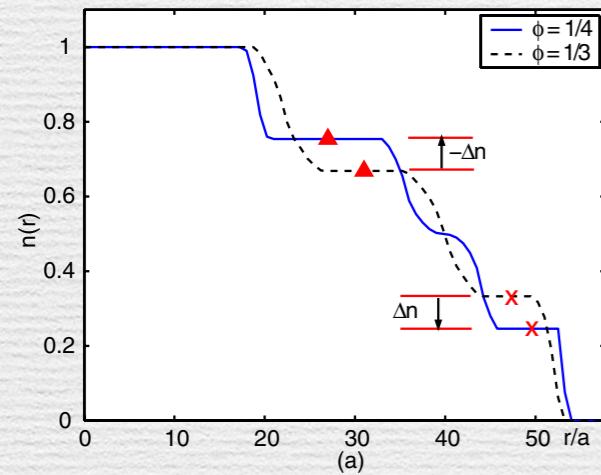
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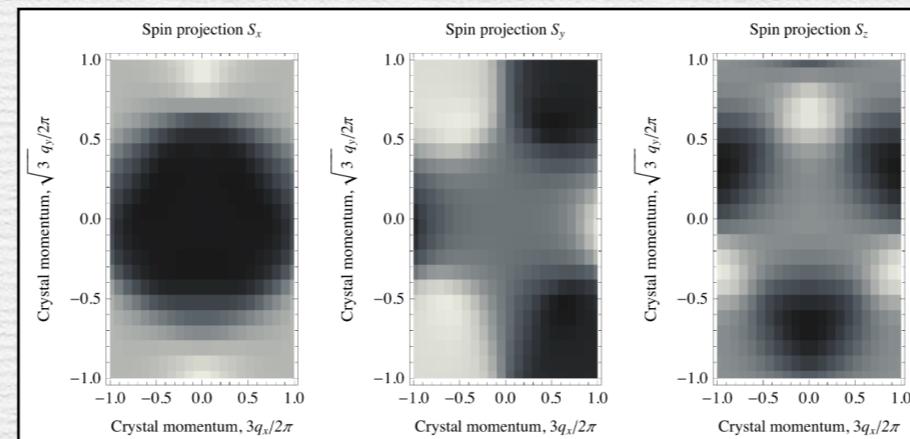
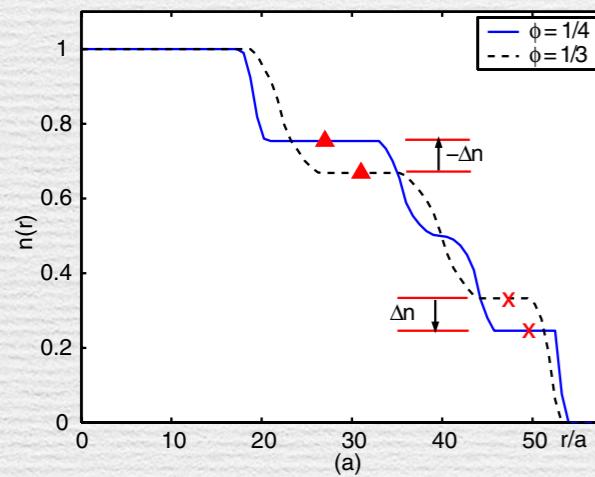
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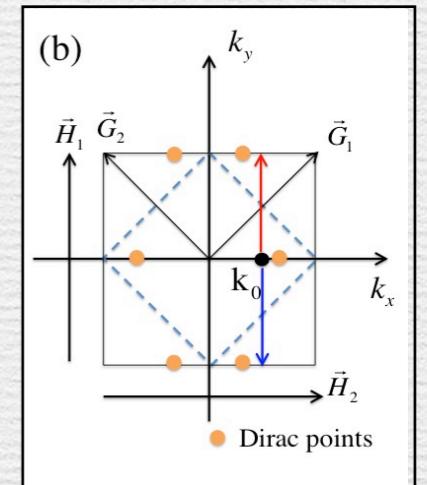
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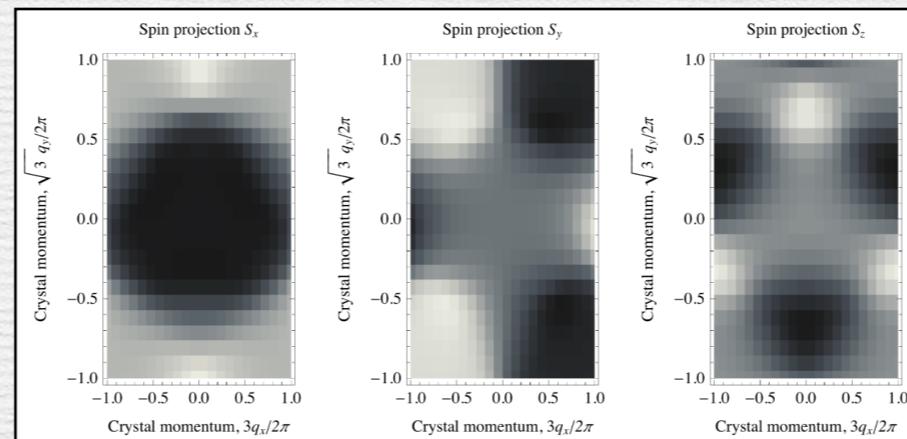
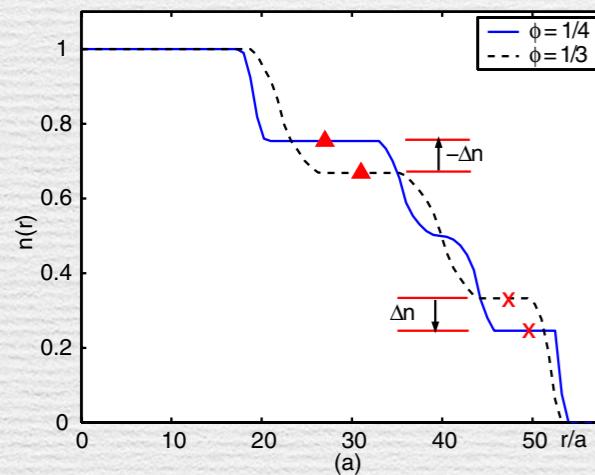
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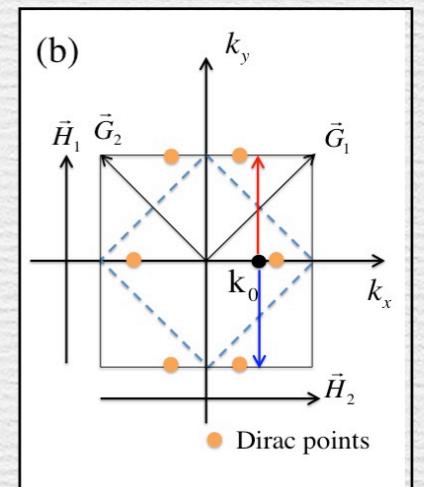
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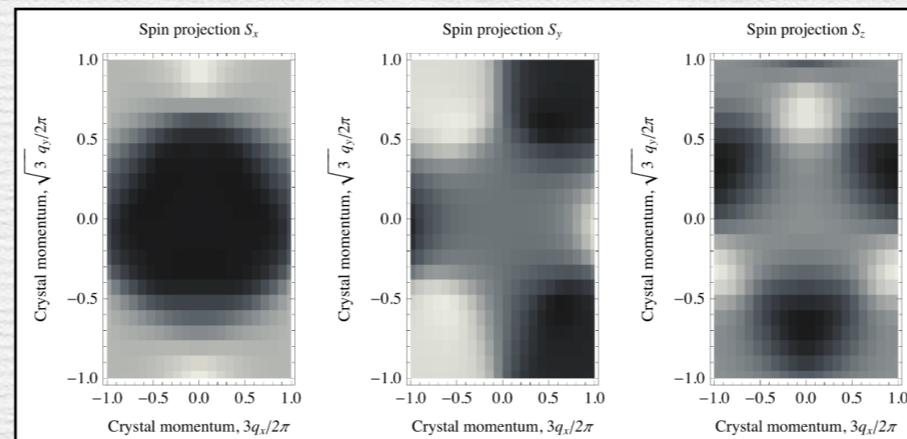
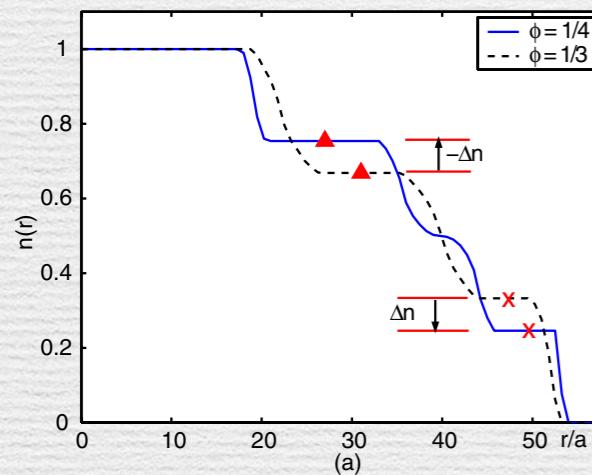
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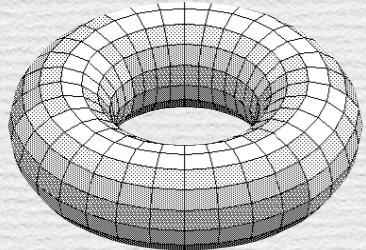
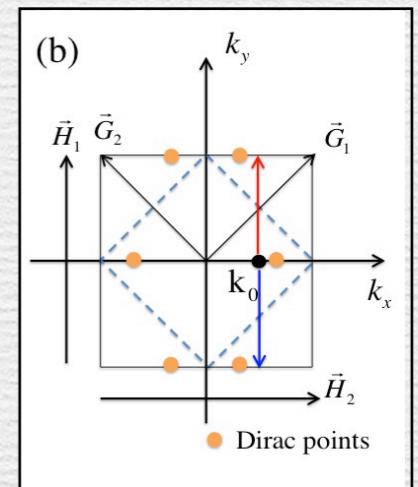
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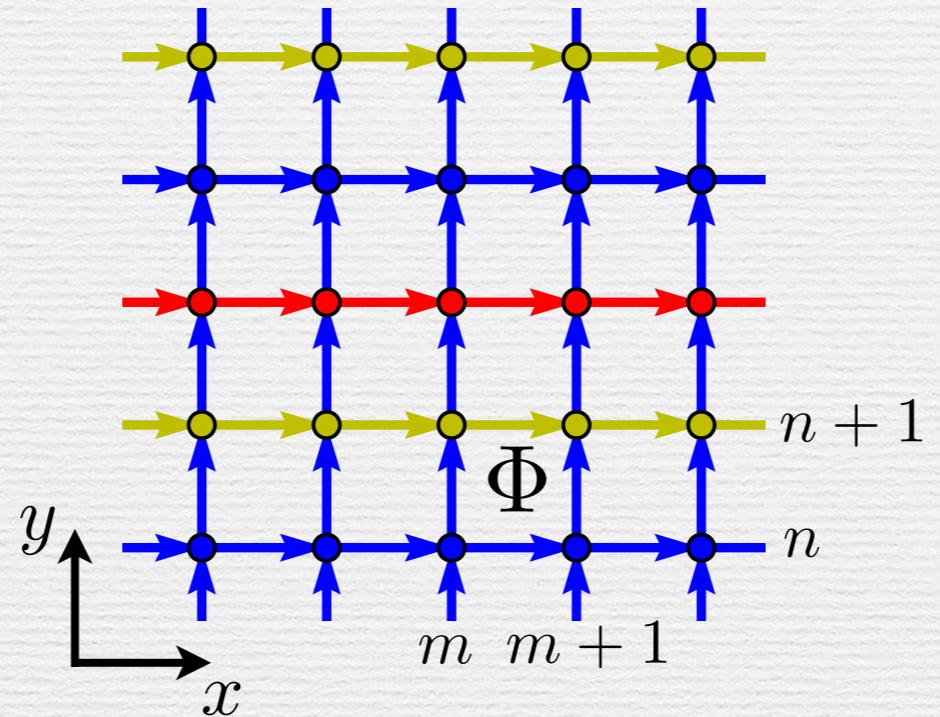


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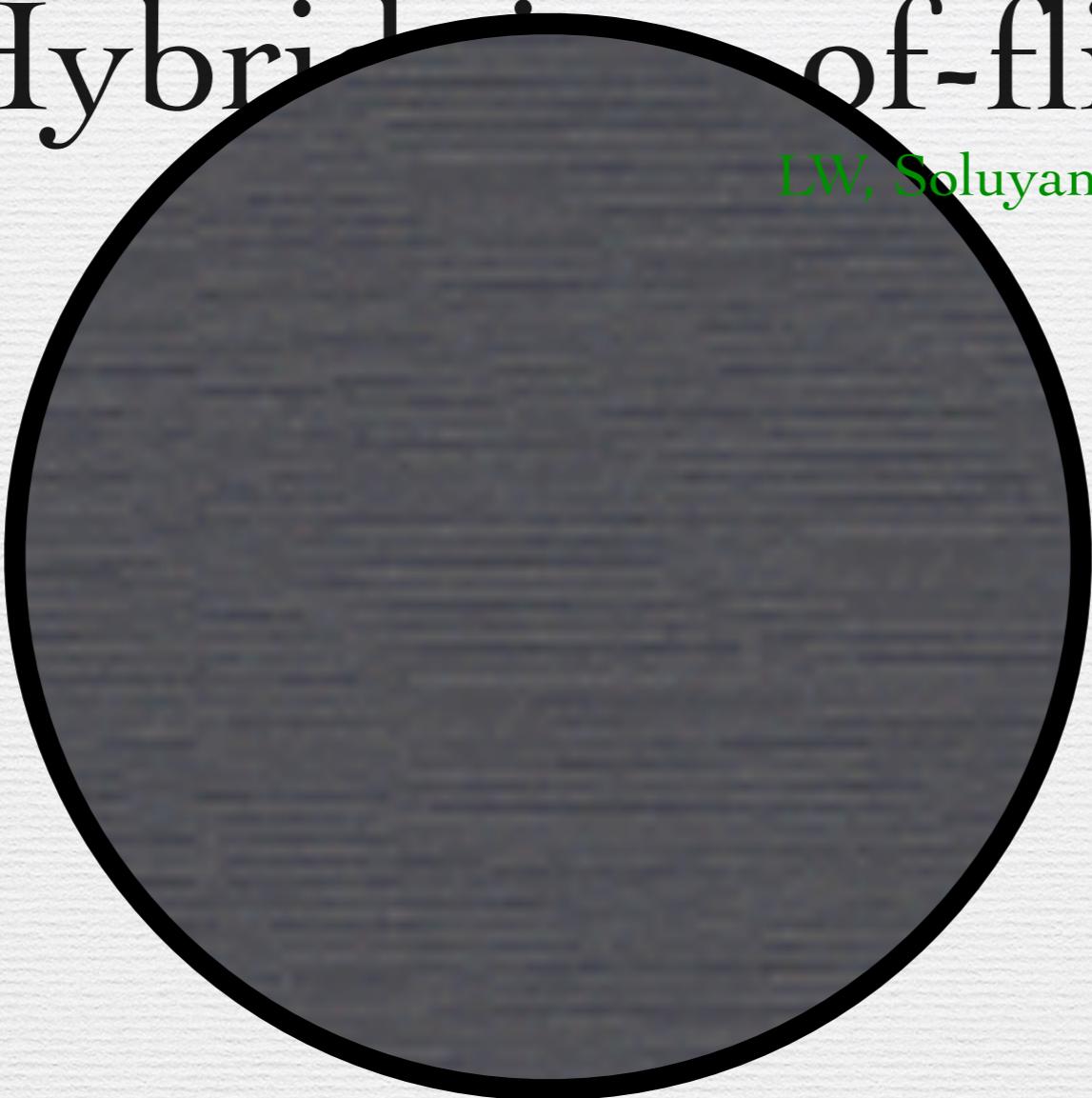
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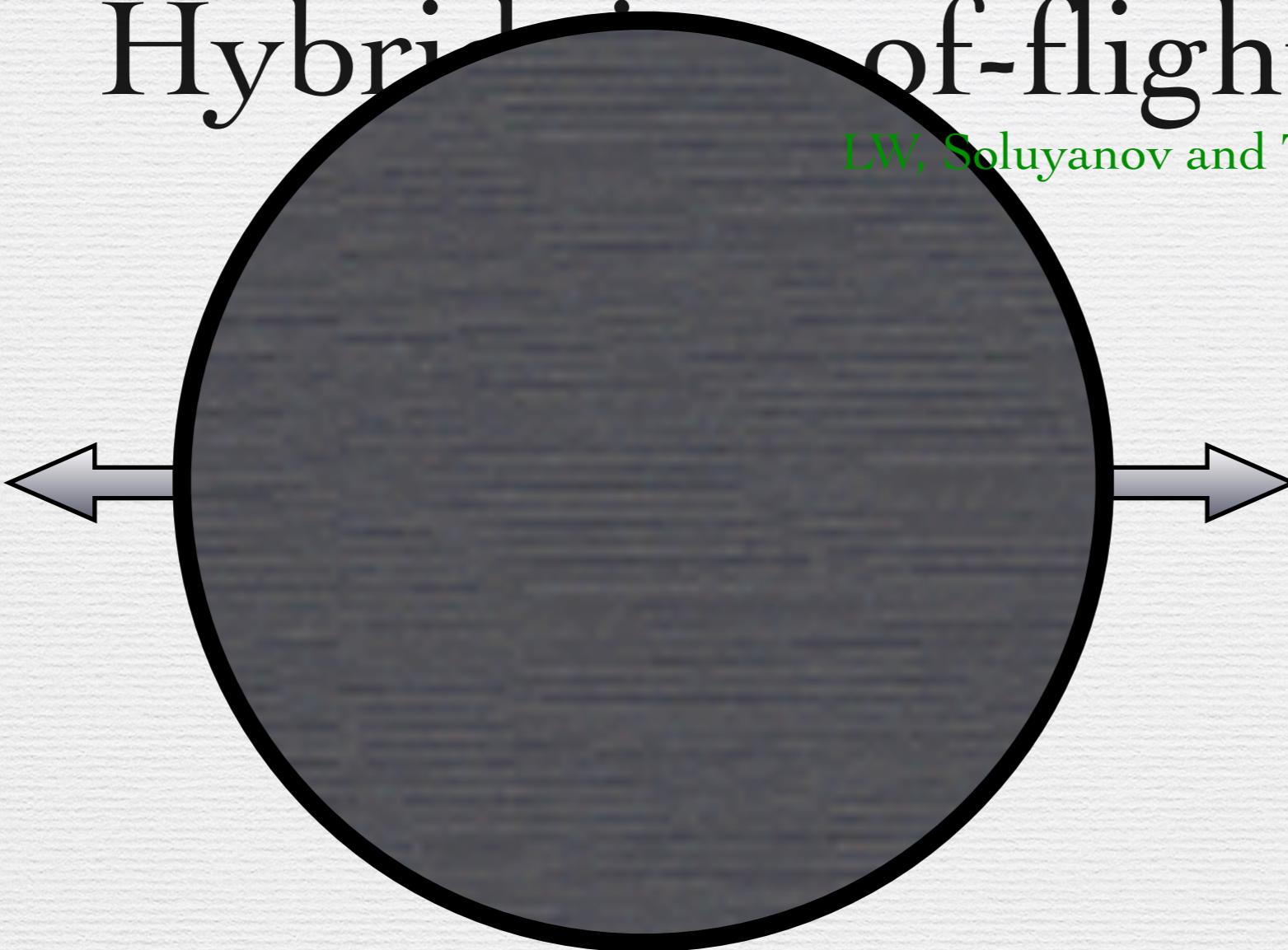
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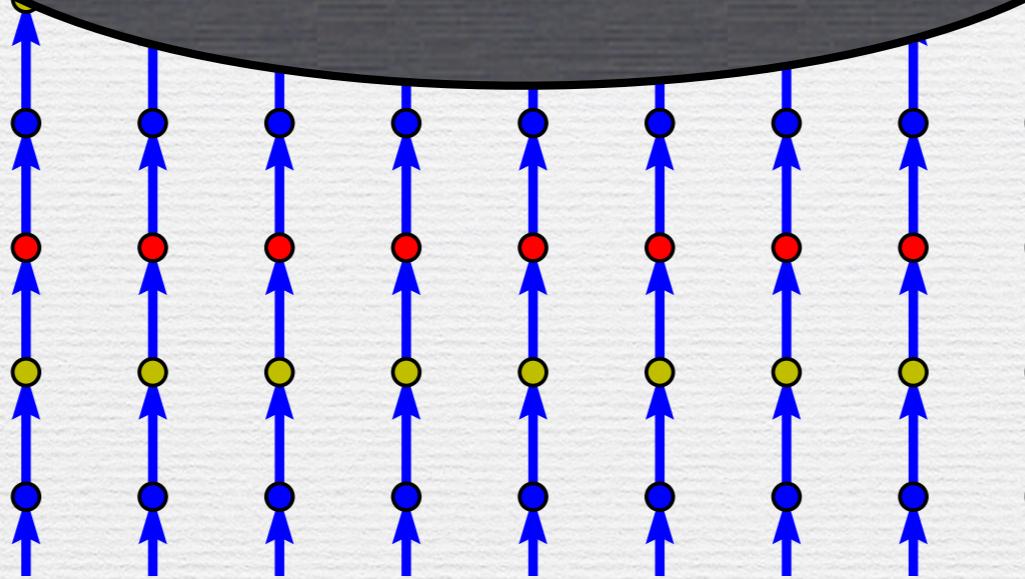
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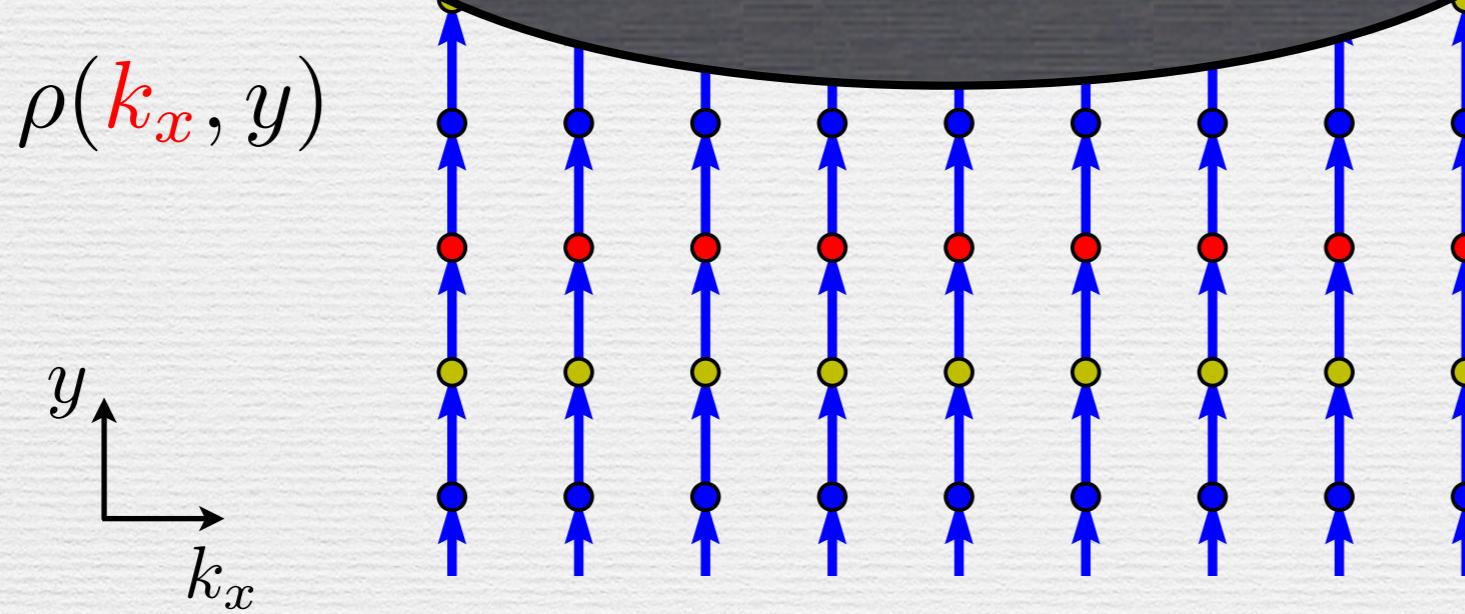
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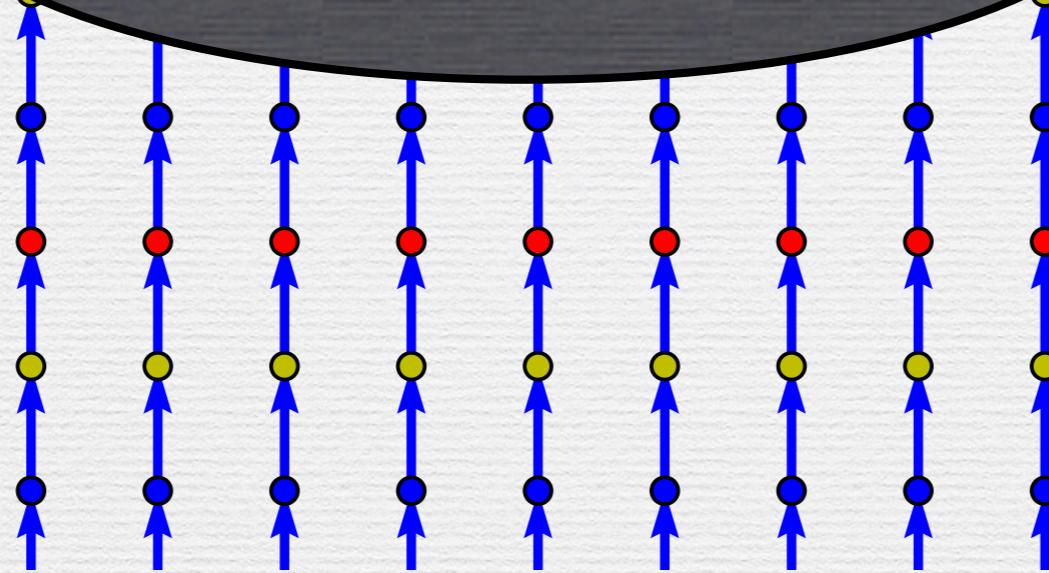
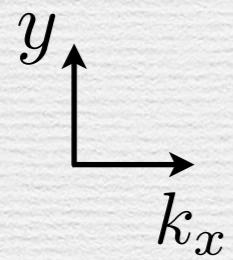
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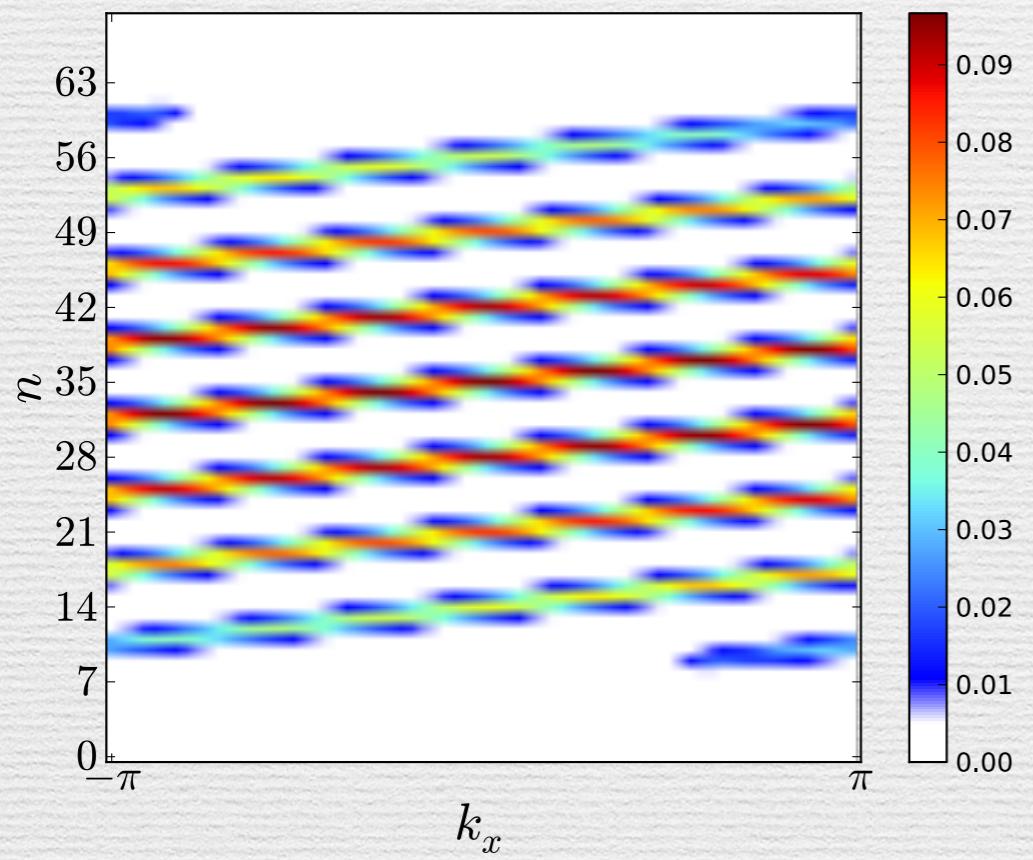
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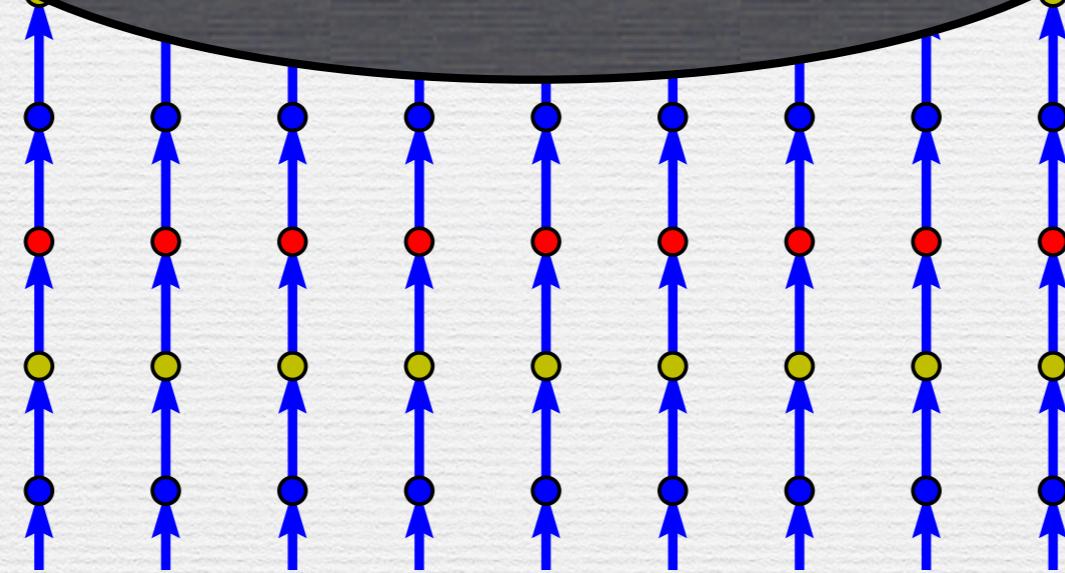
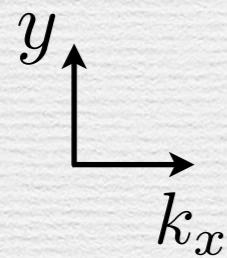
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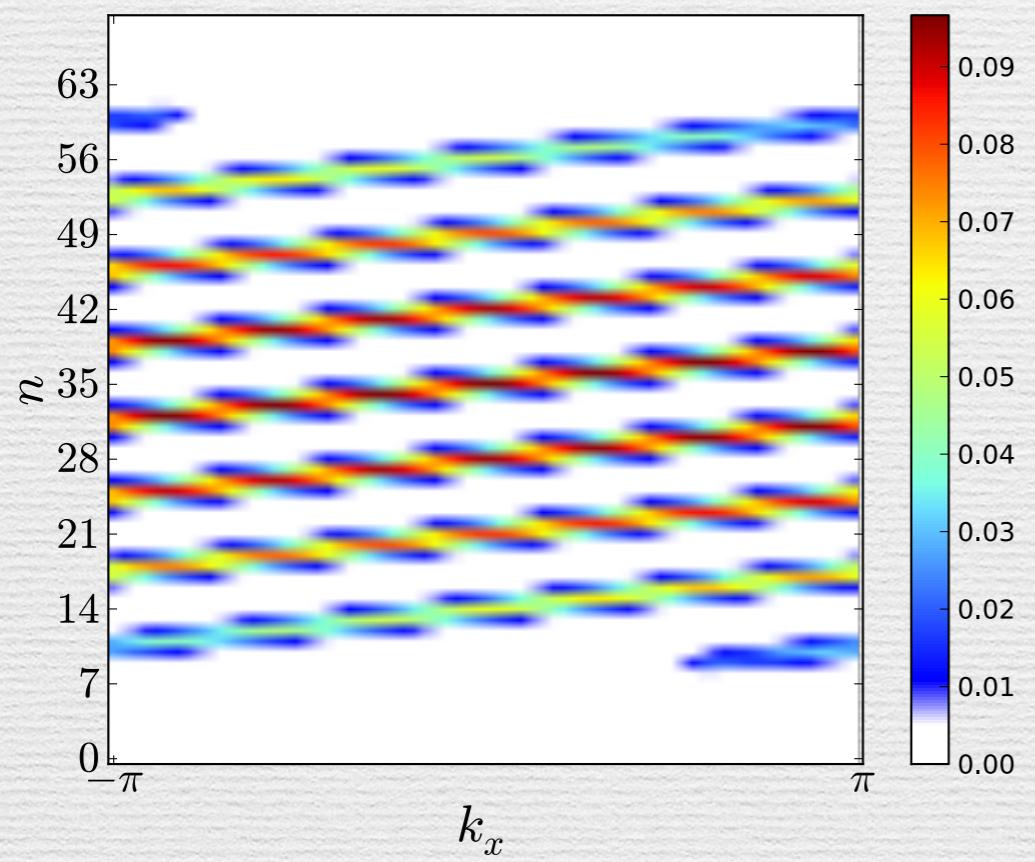
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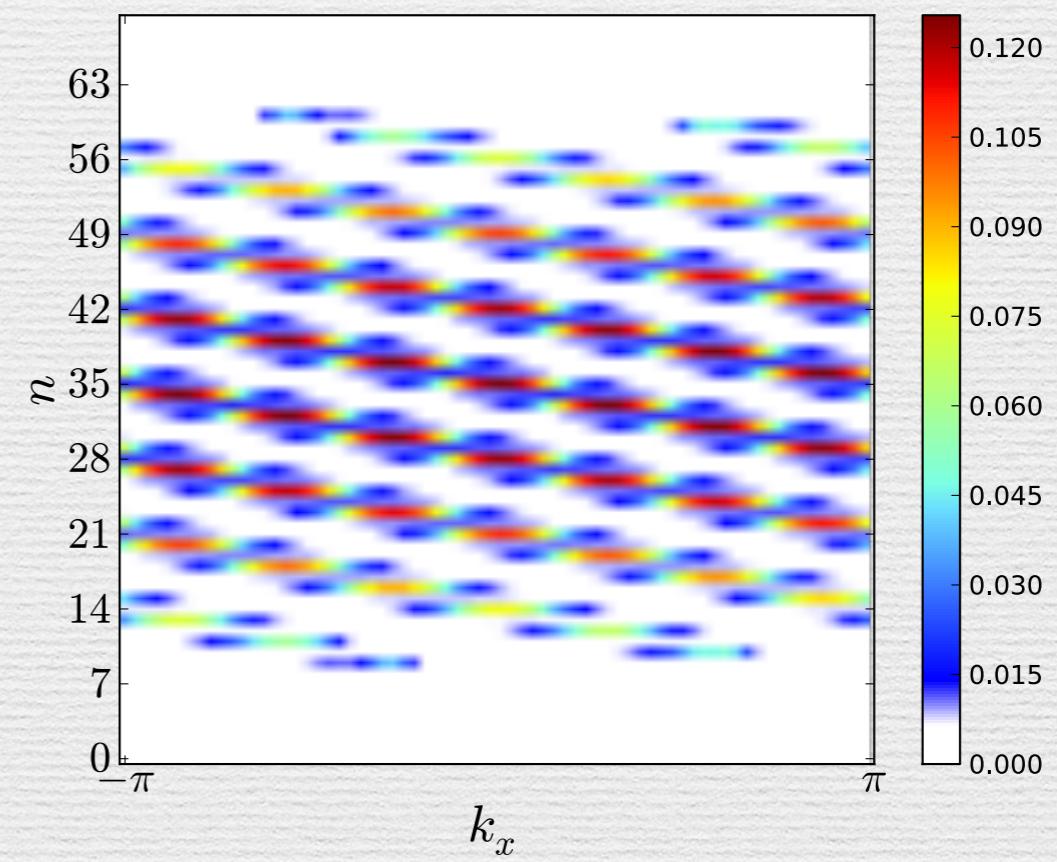
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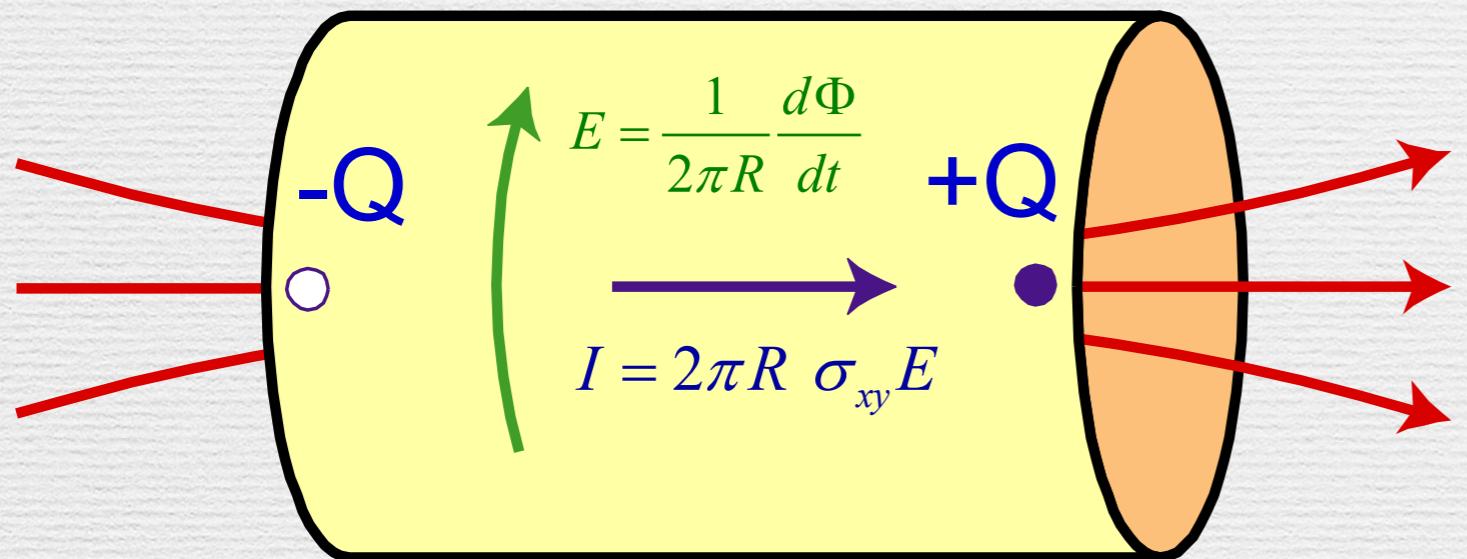


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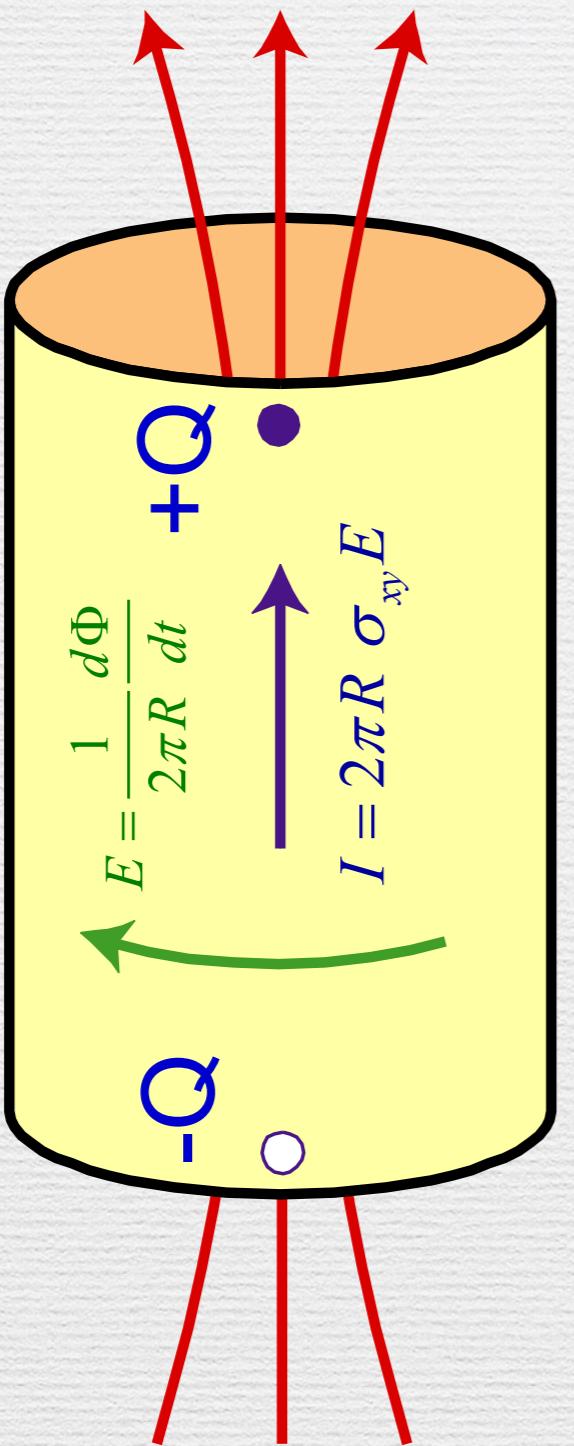
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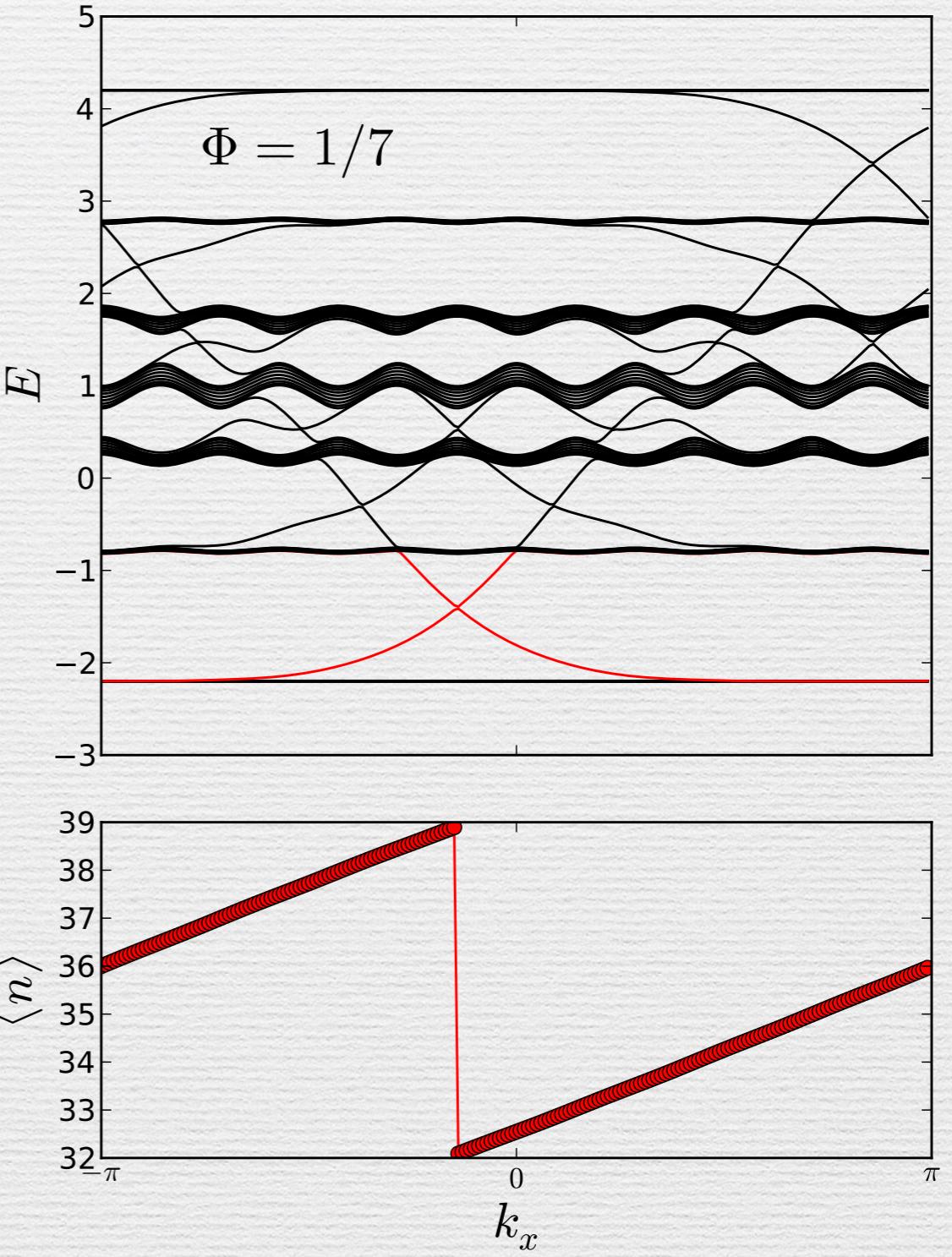
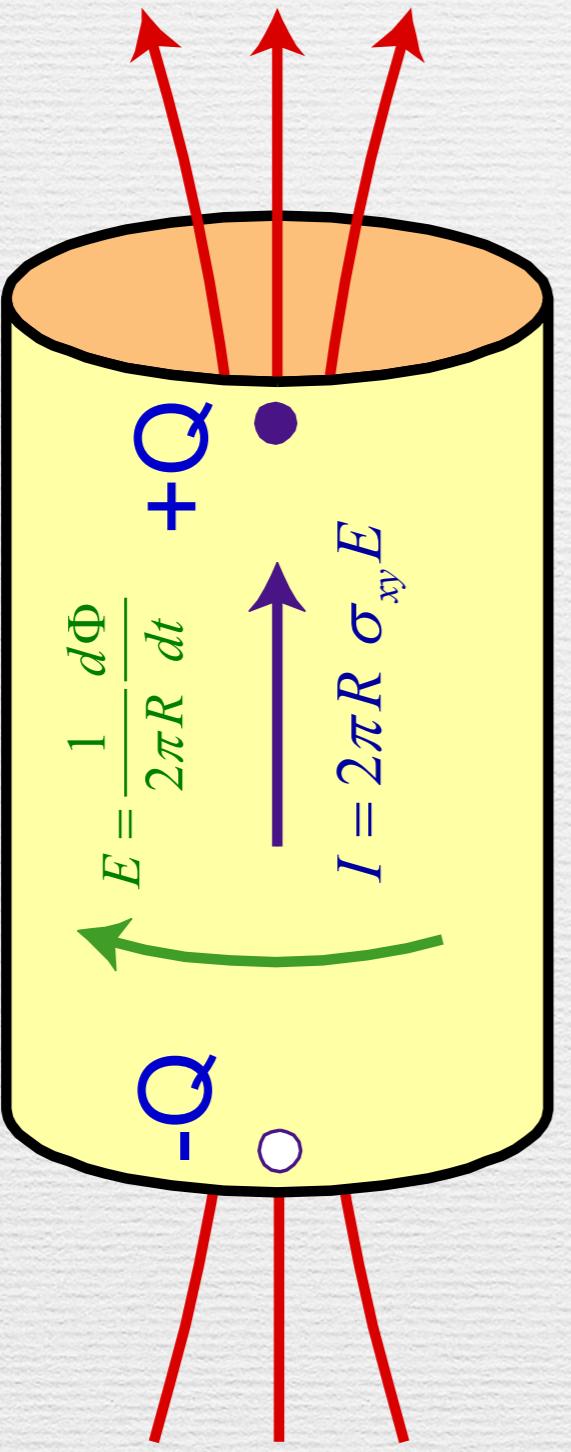
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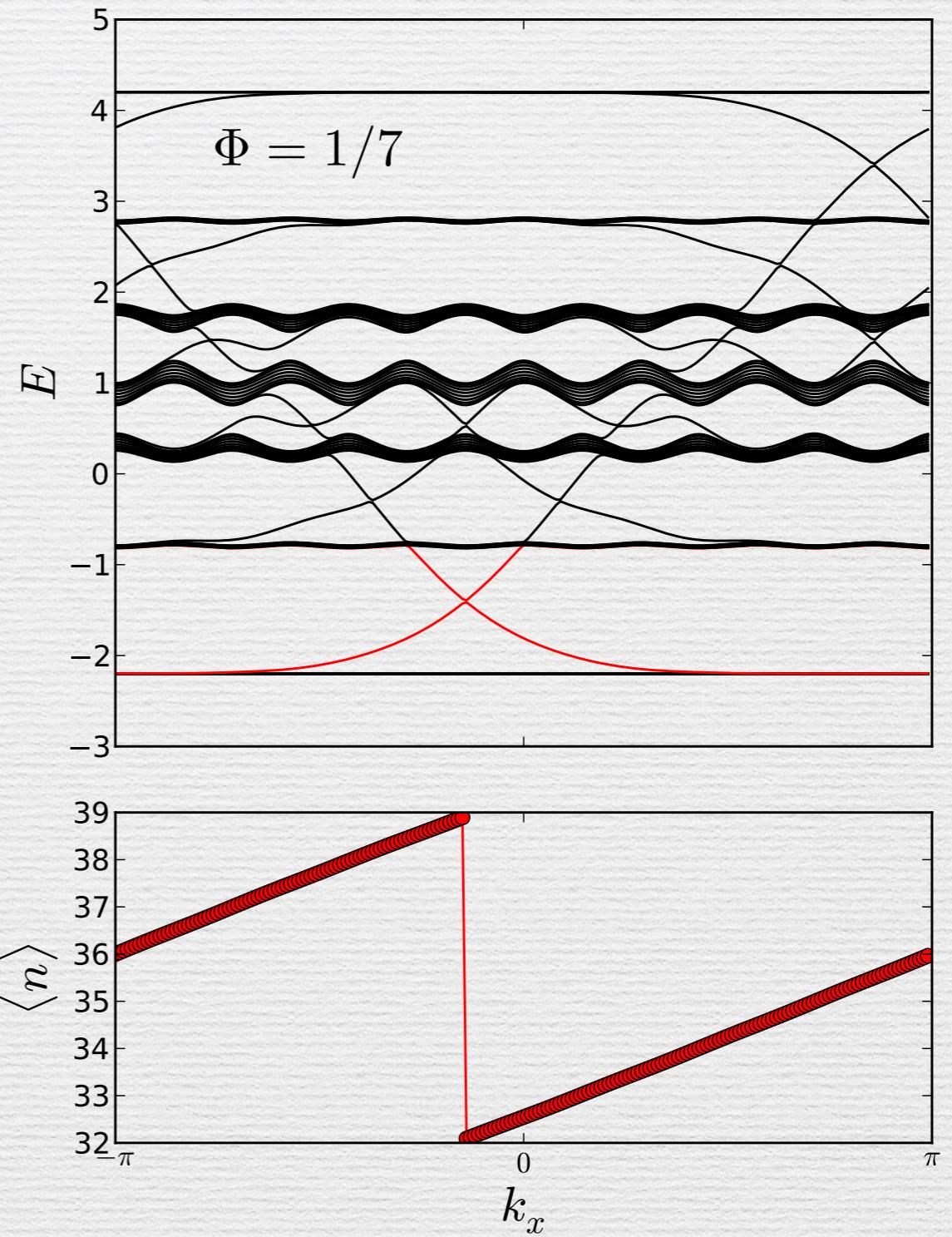
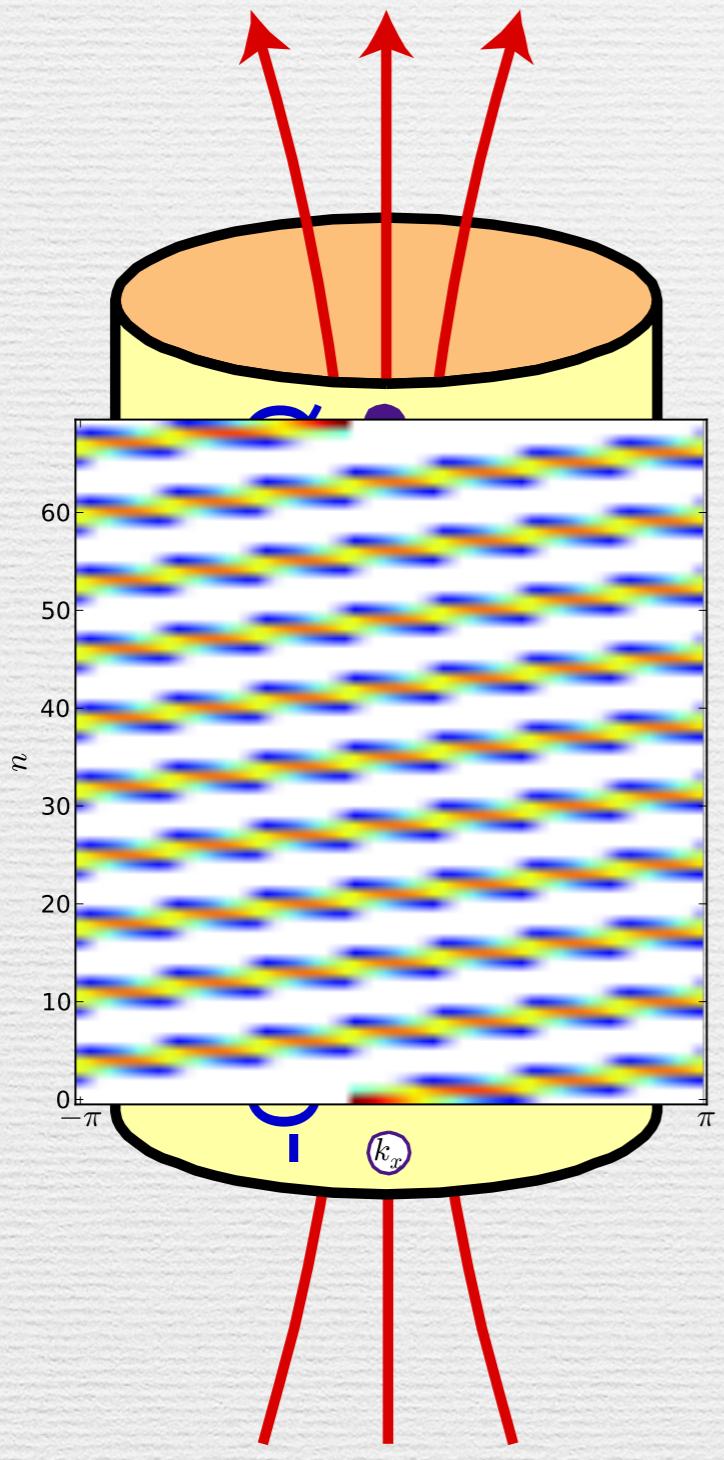
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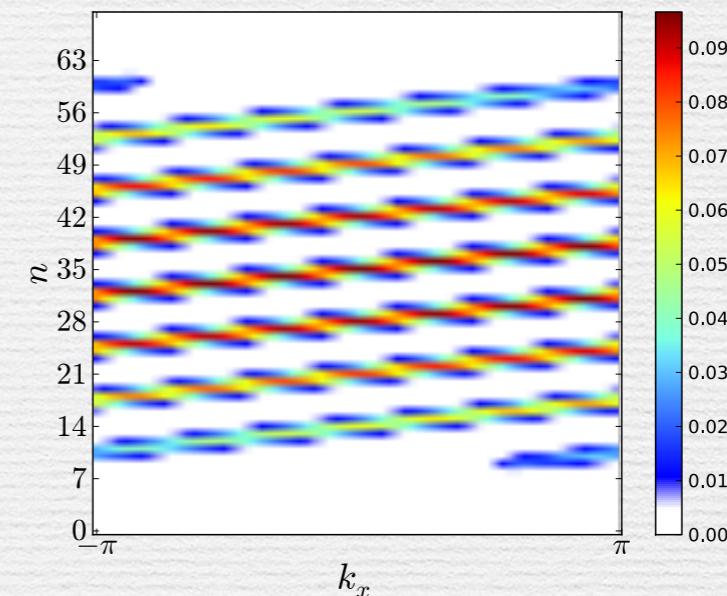
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Quantitative Characterizations

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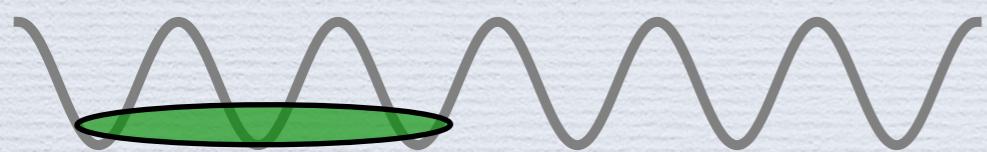


Salient features

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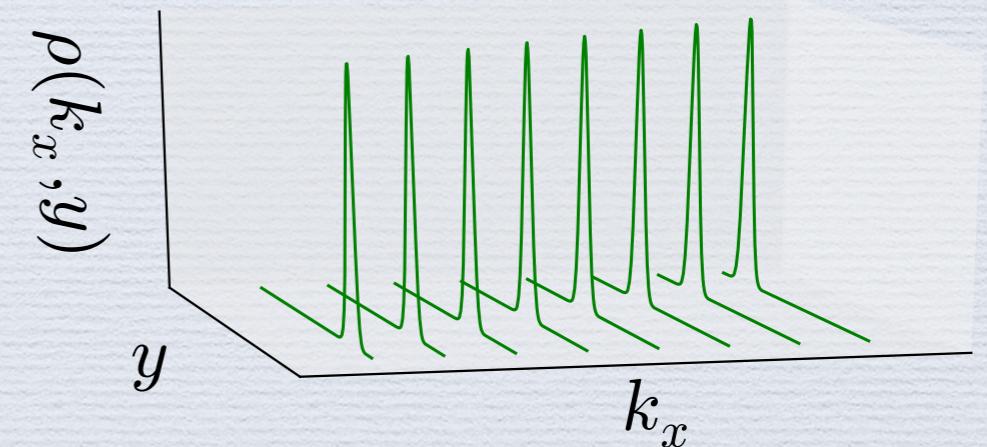
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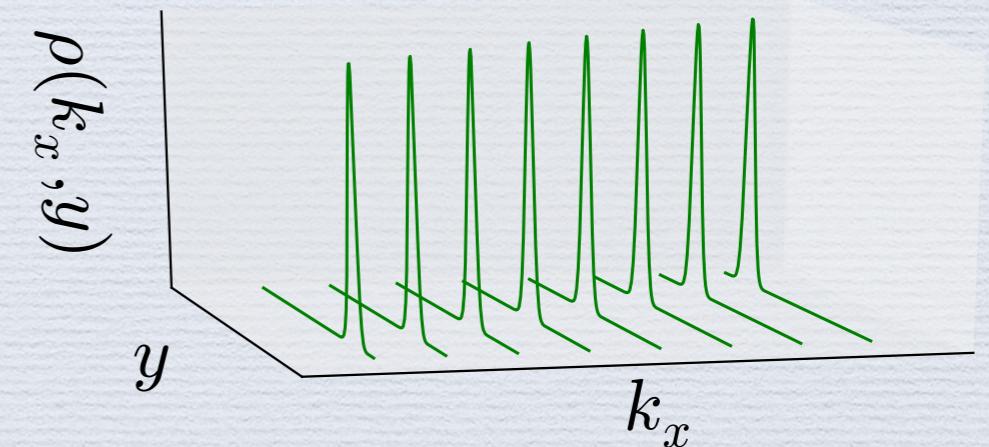
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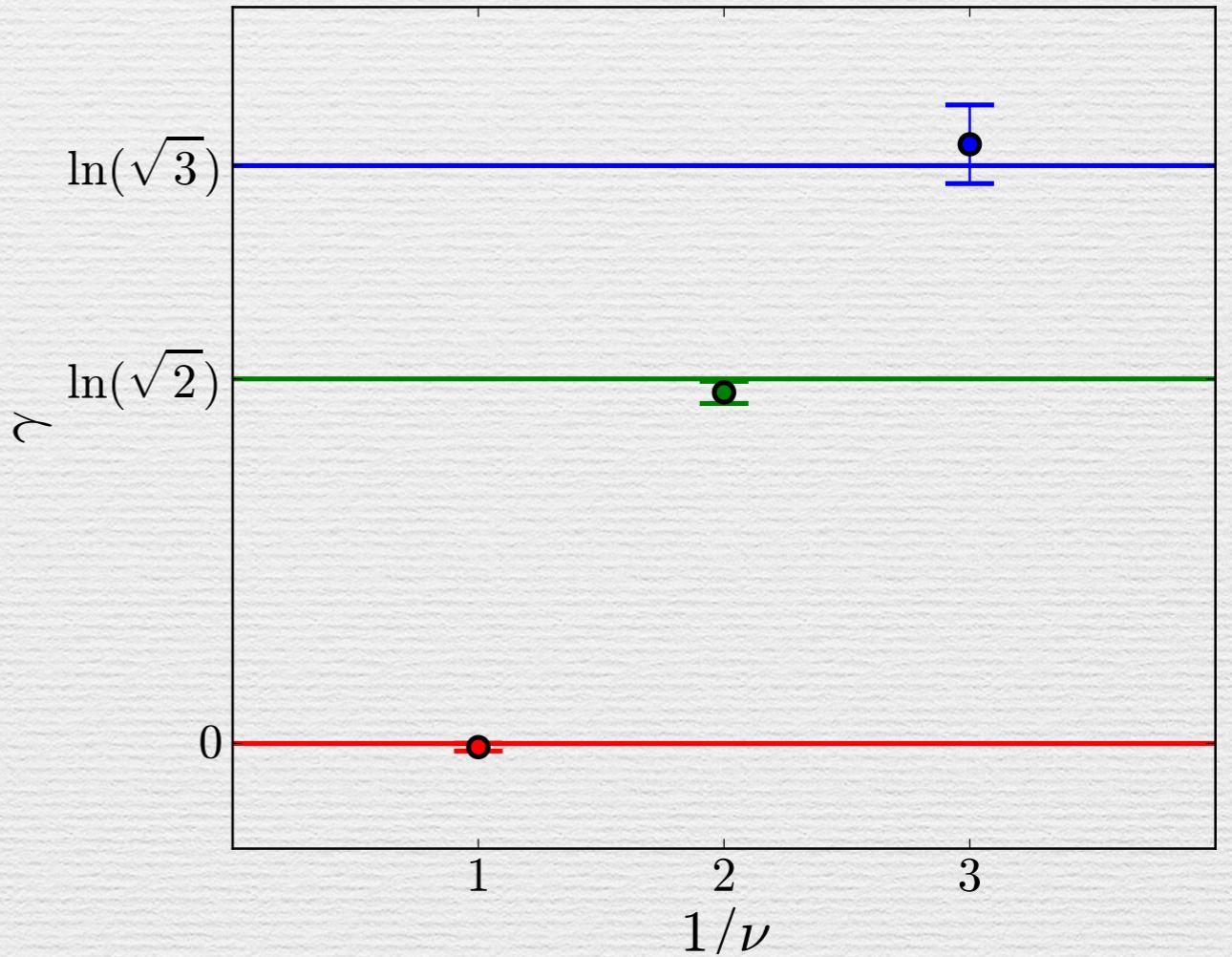
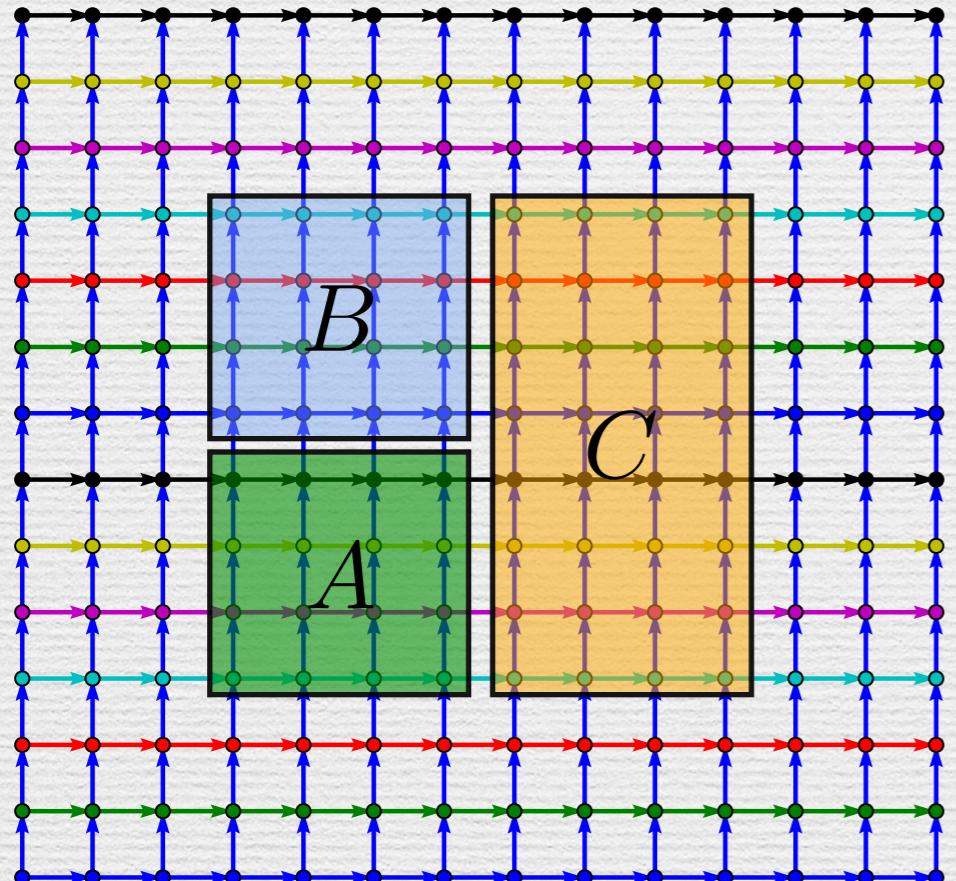
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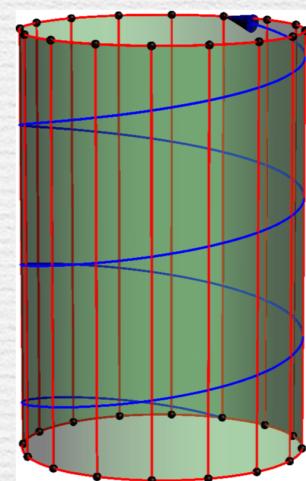
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Preskill, Kitaev, Levin, Wen
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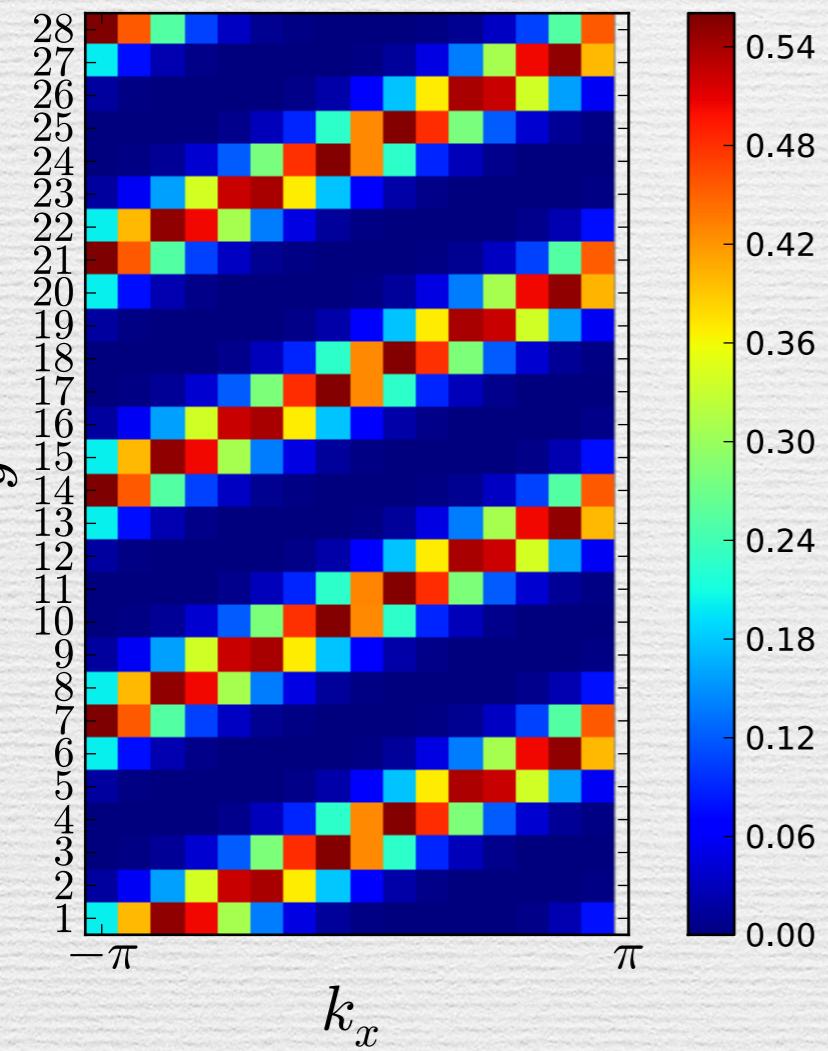
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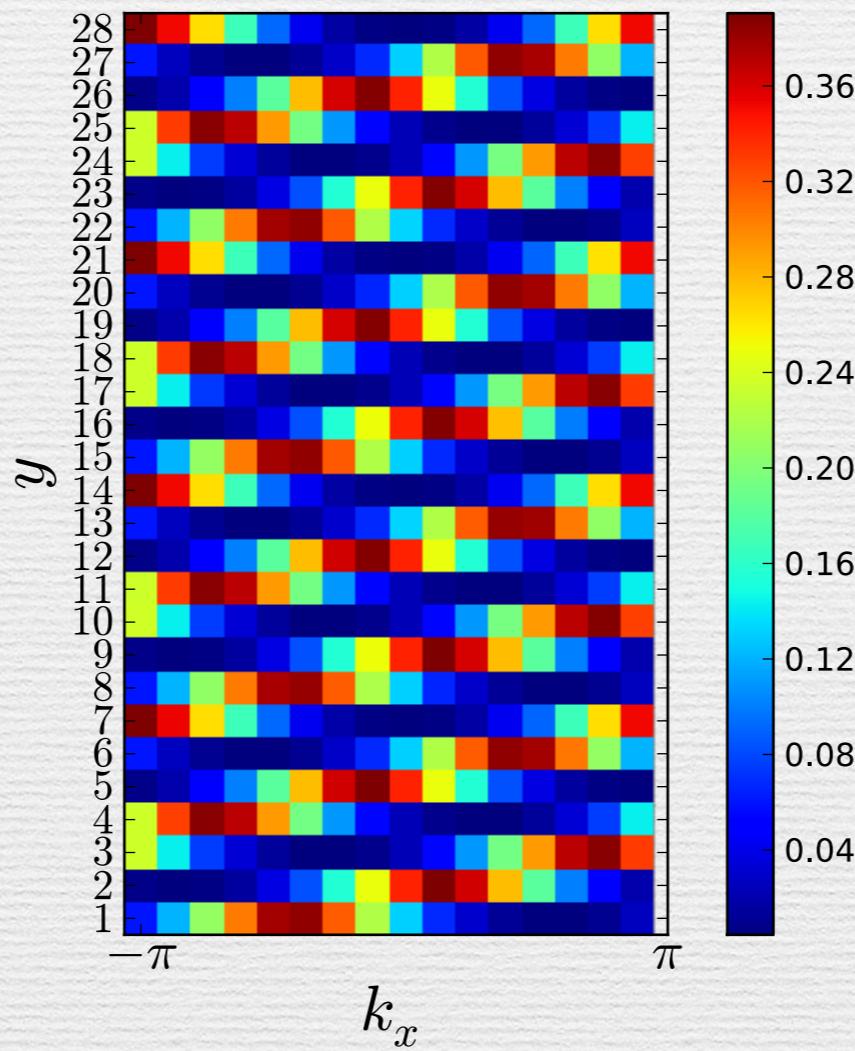
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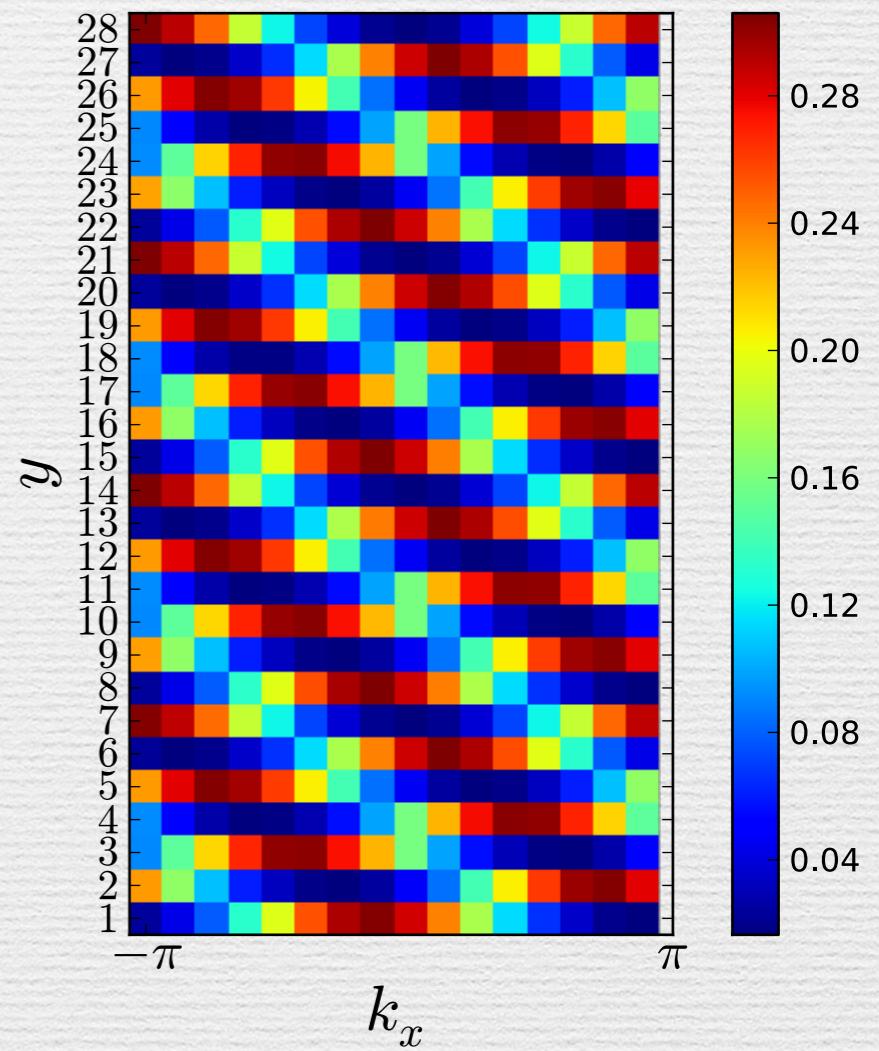
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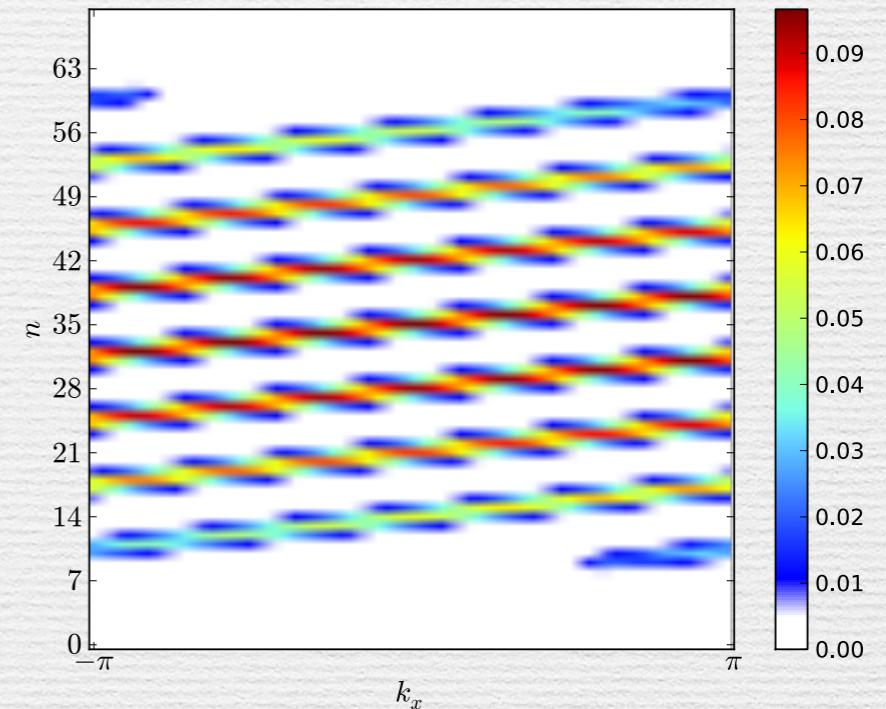
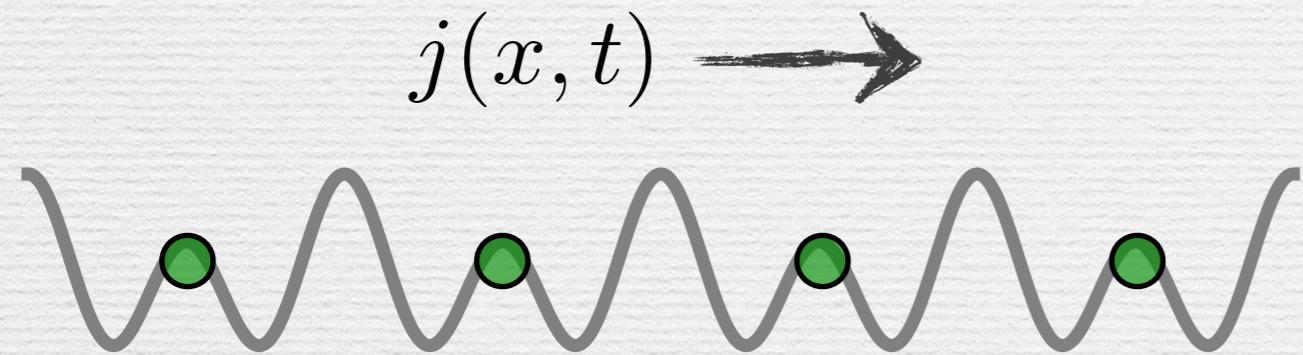
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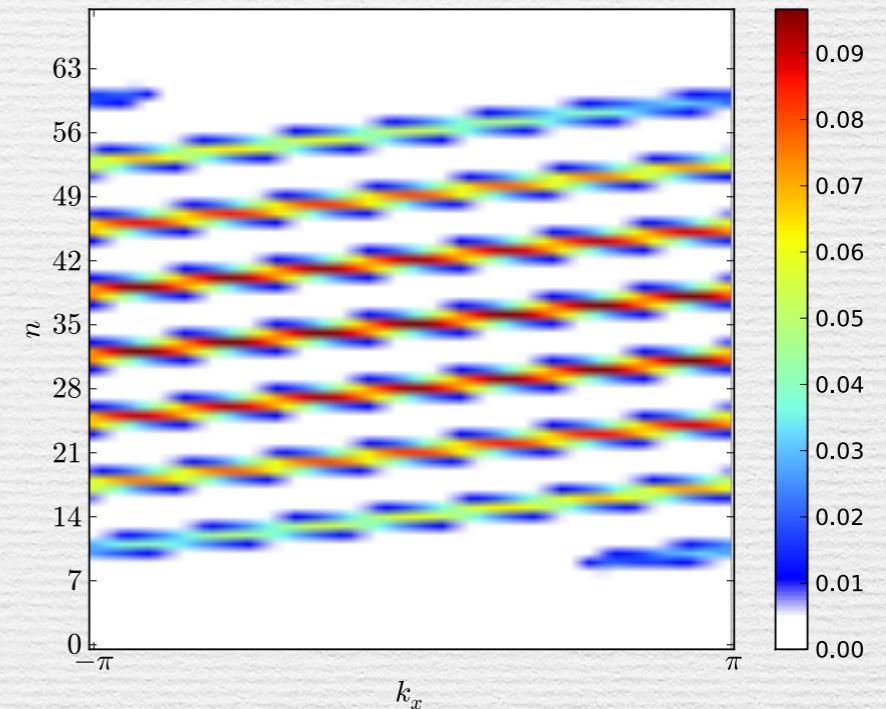
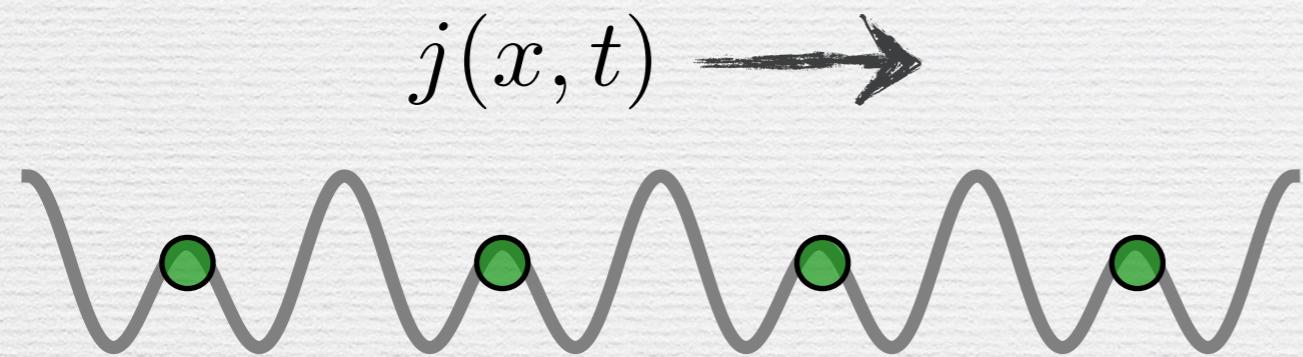


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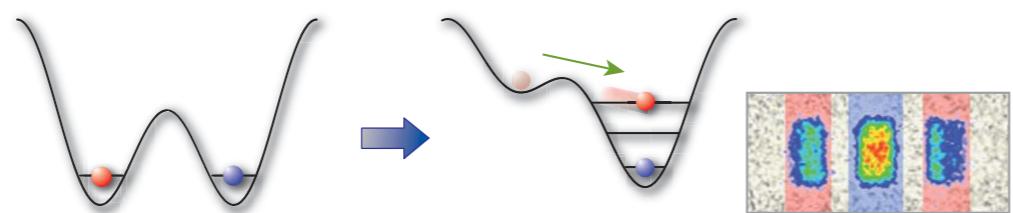
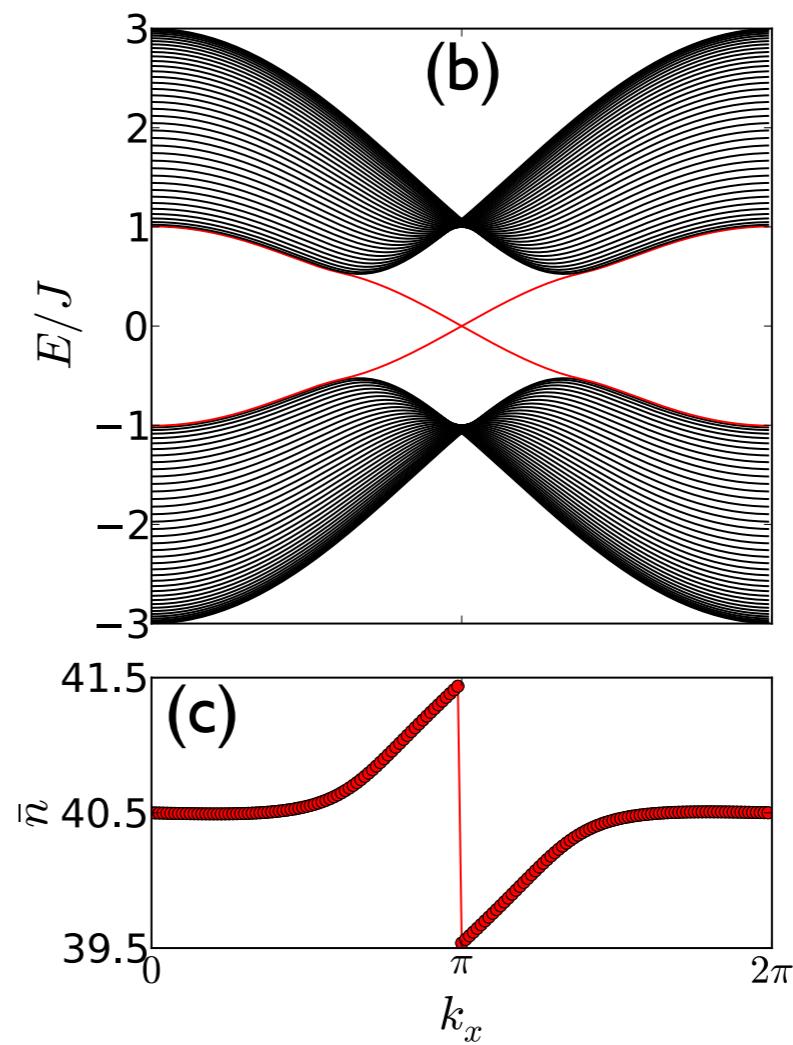
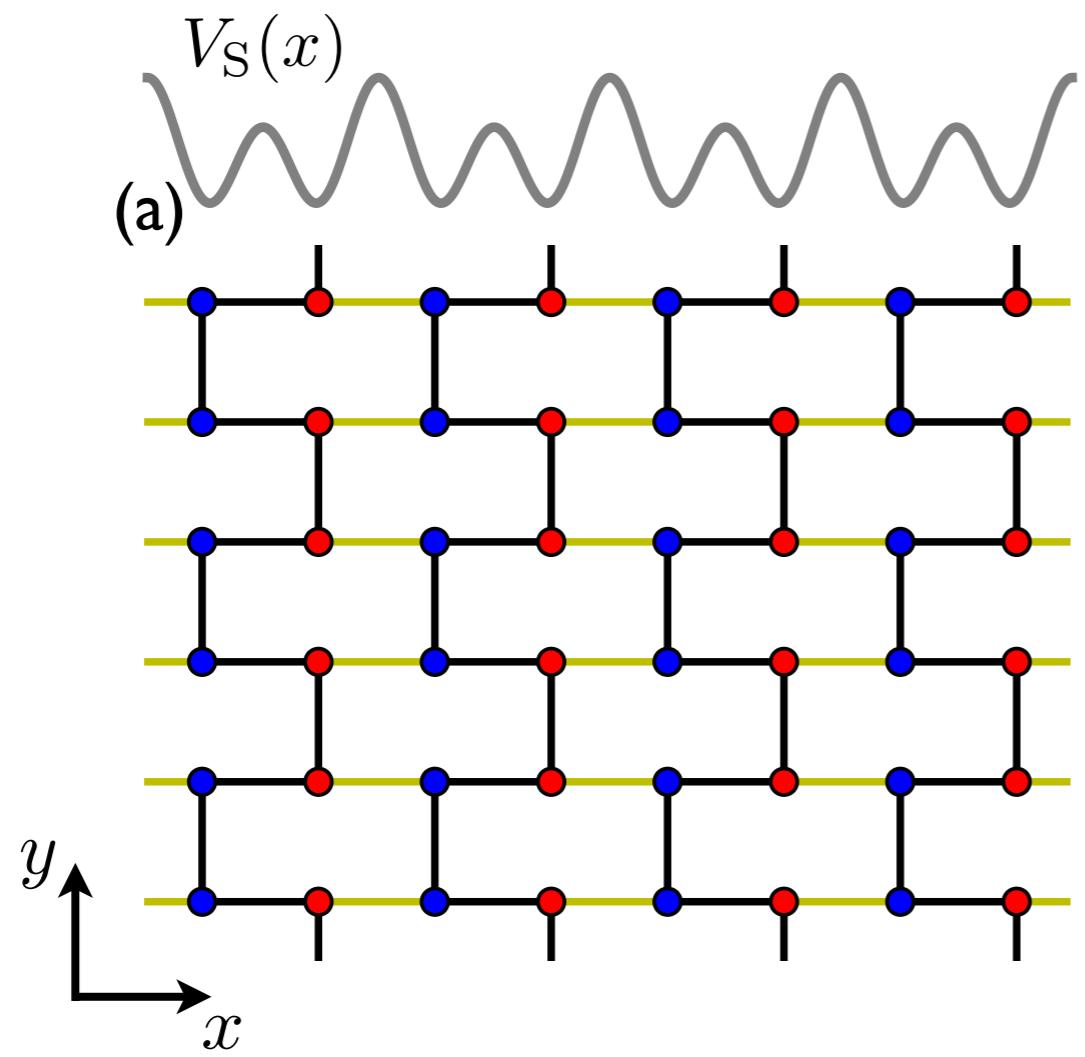


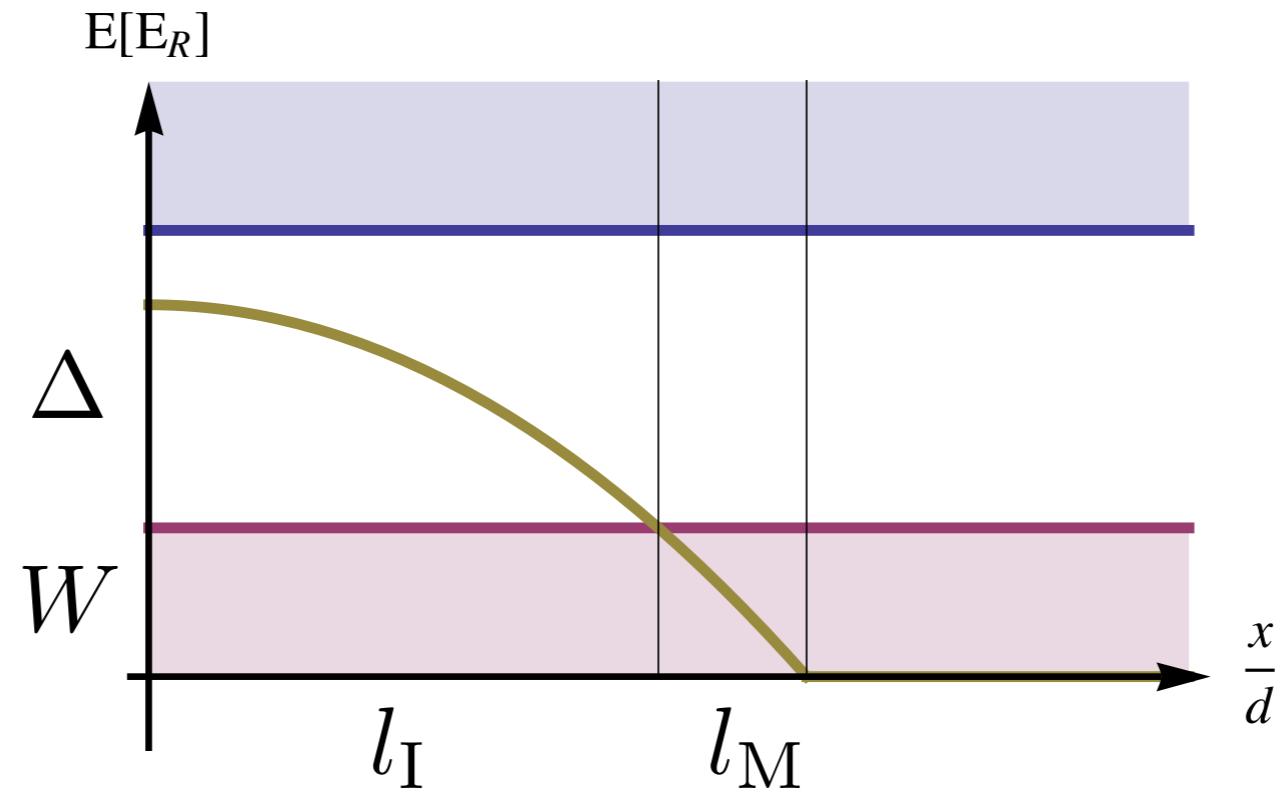
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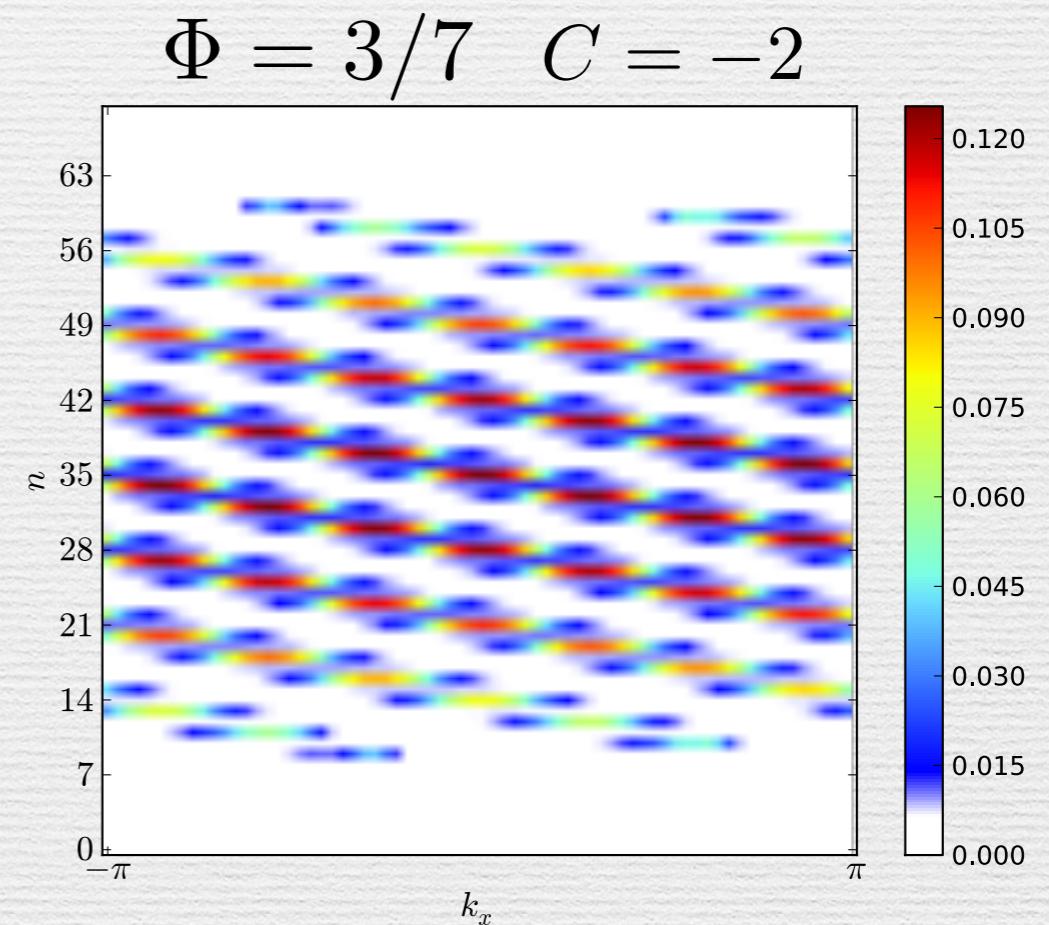
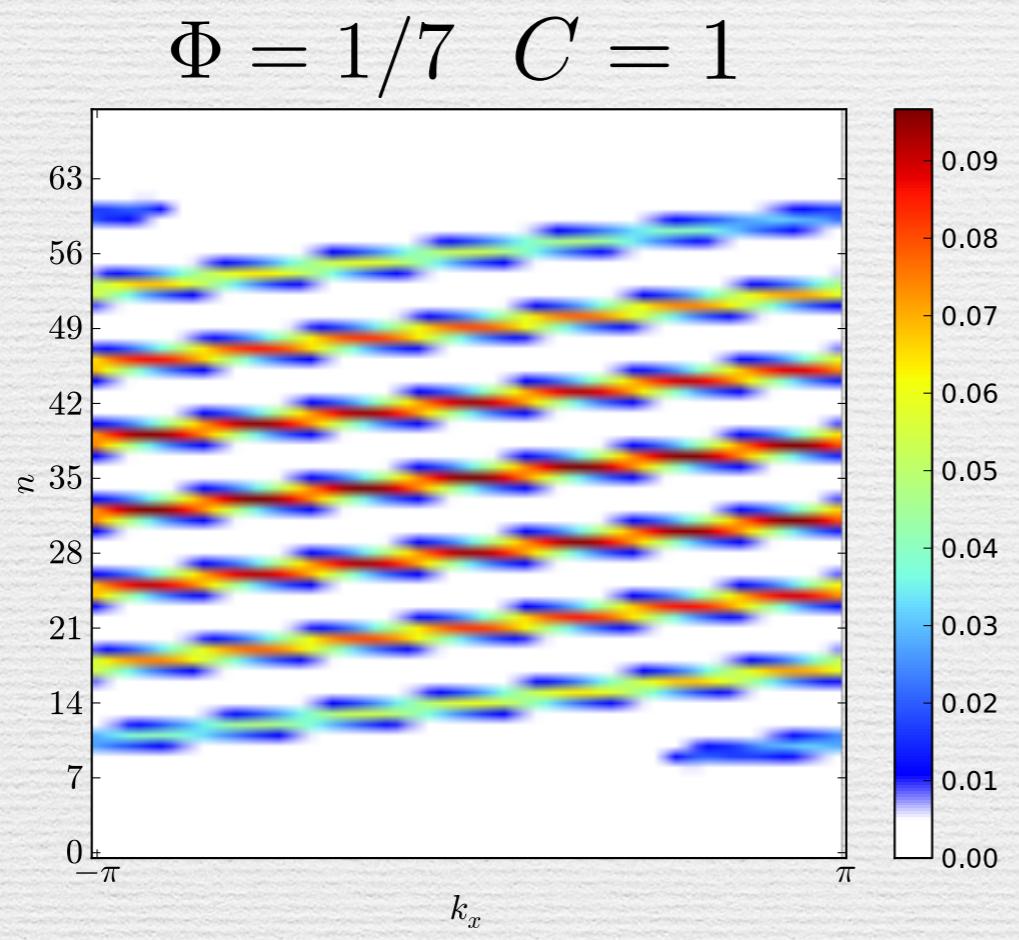
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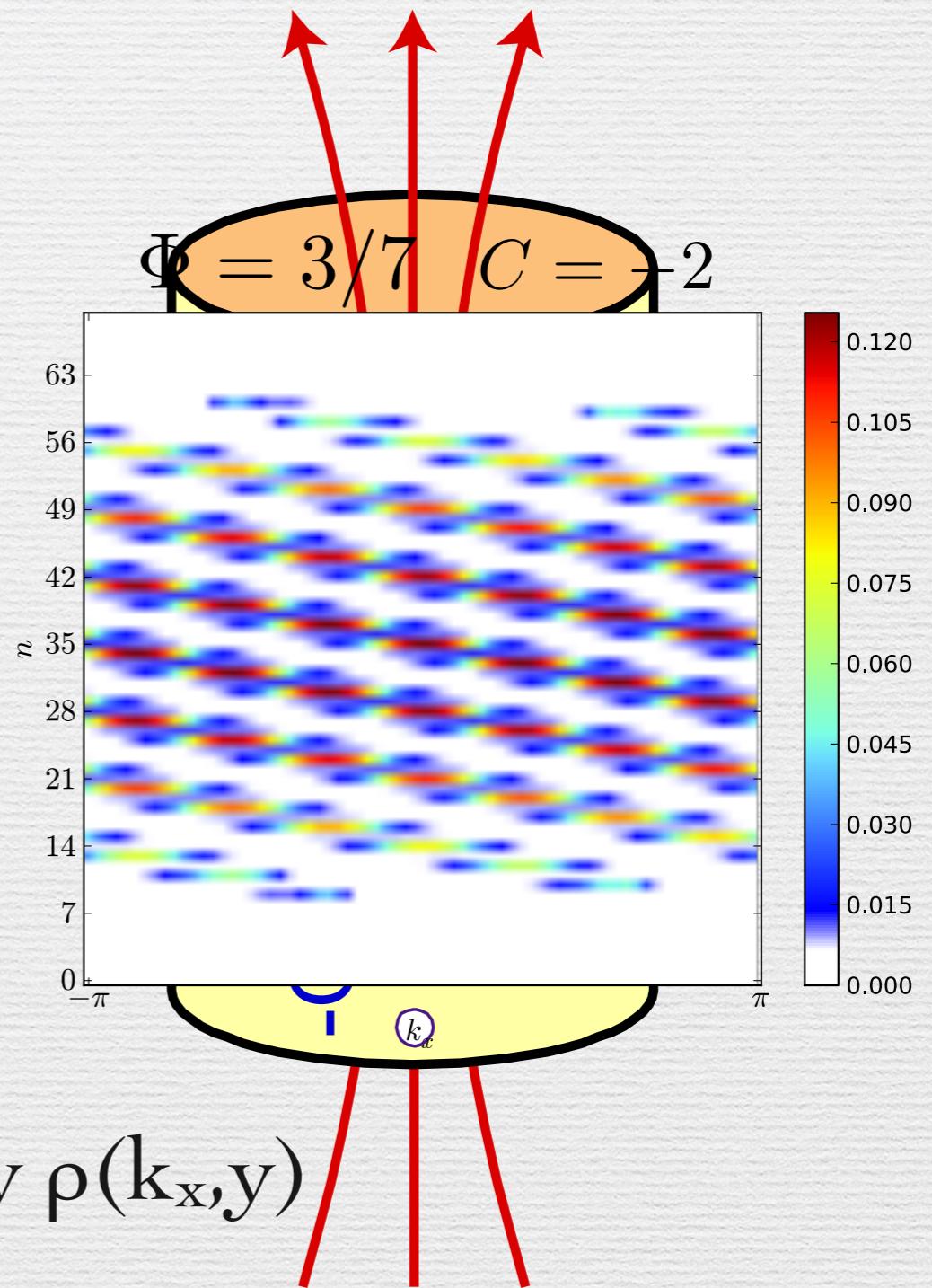
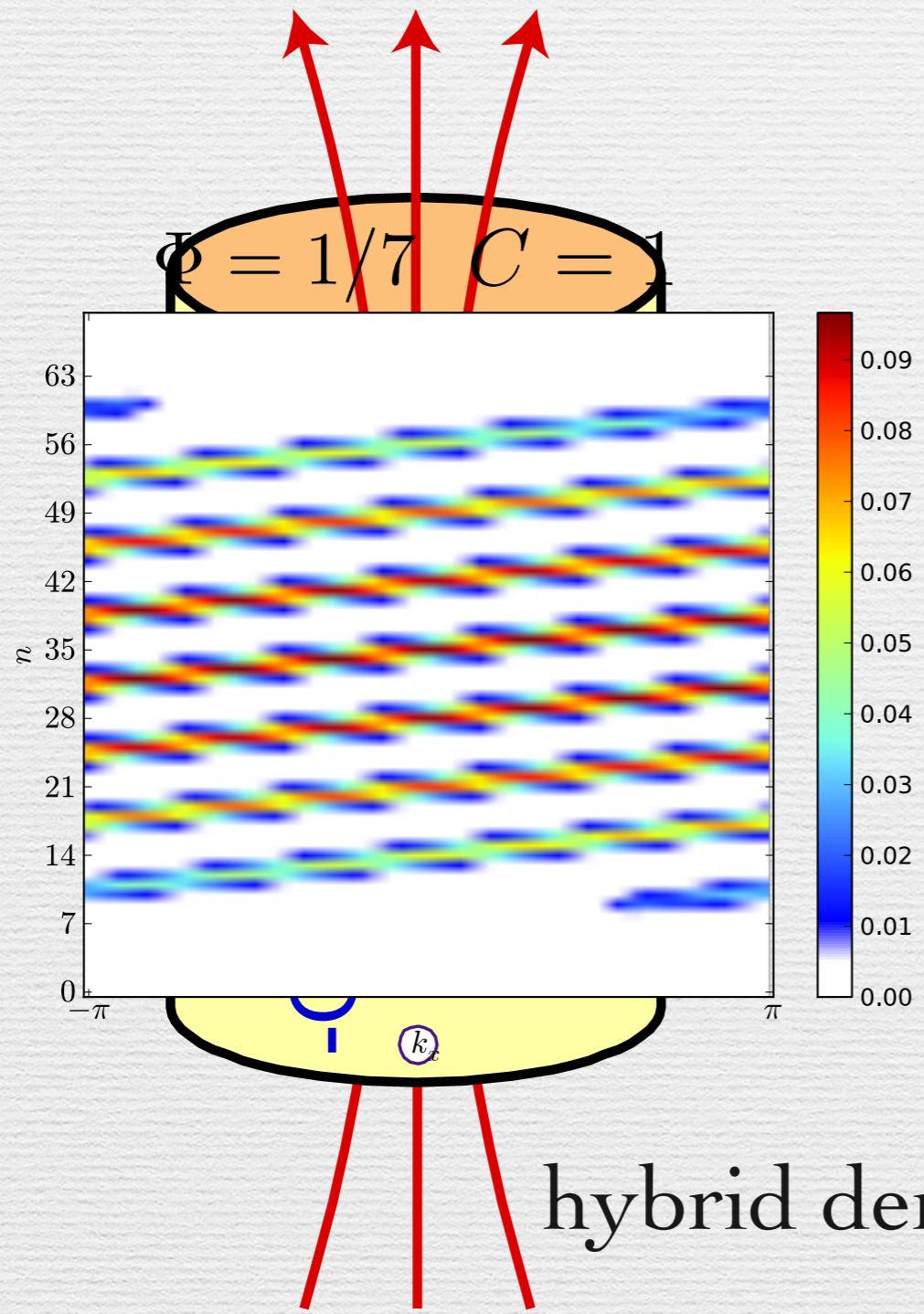
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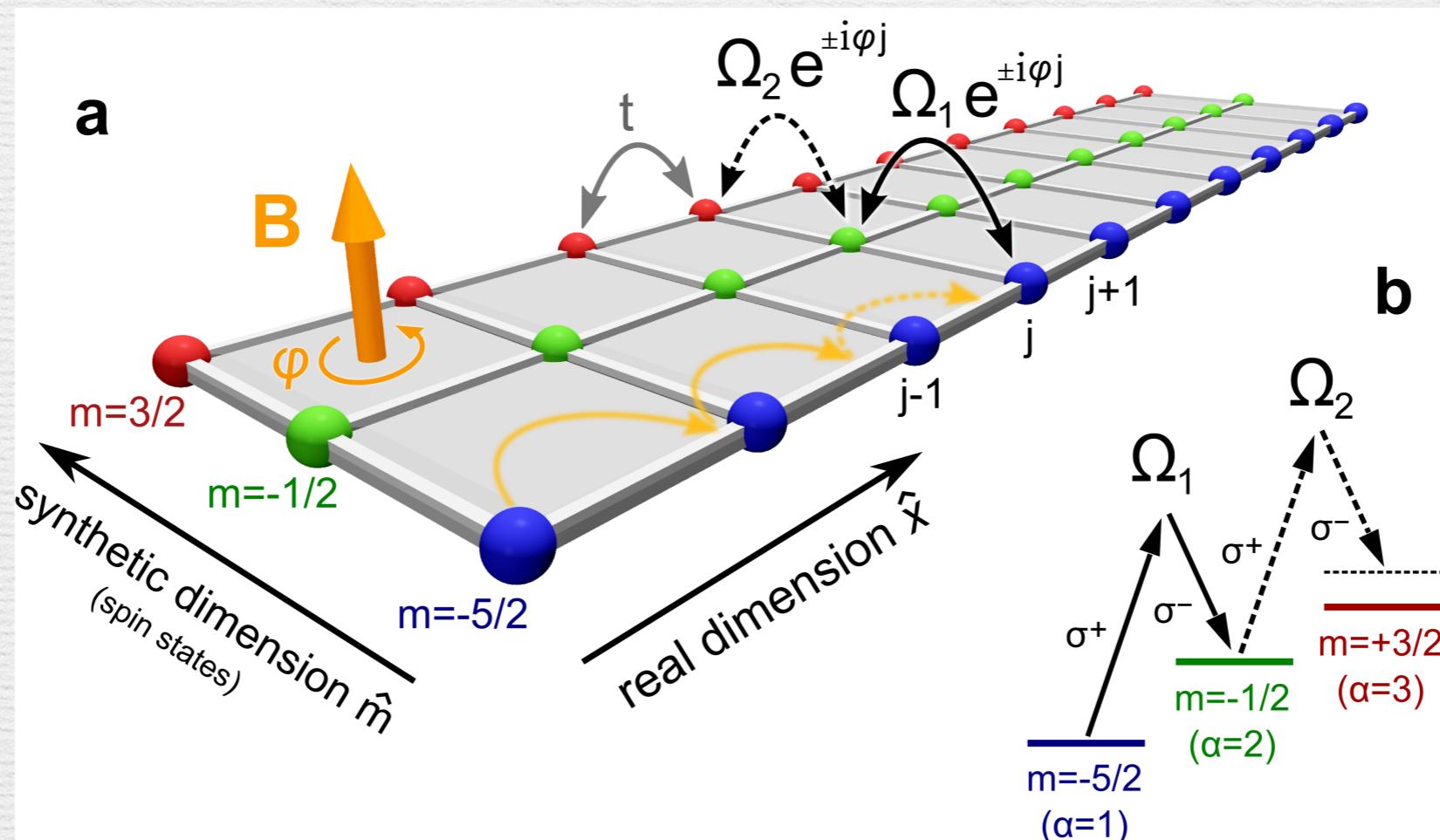


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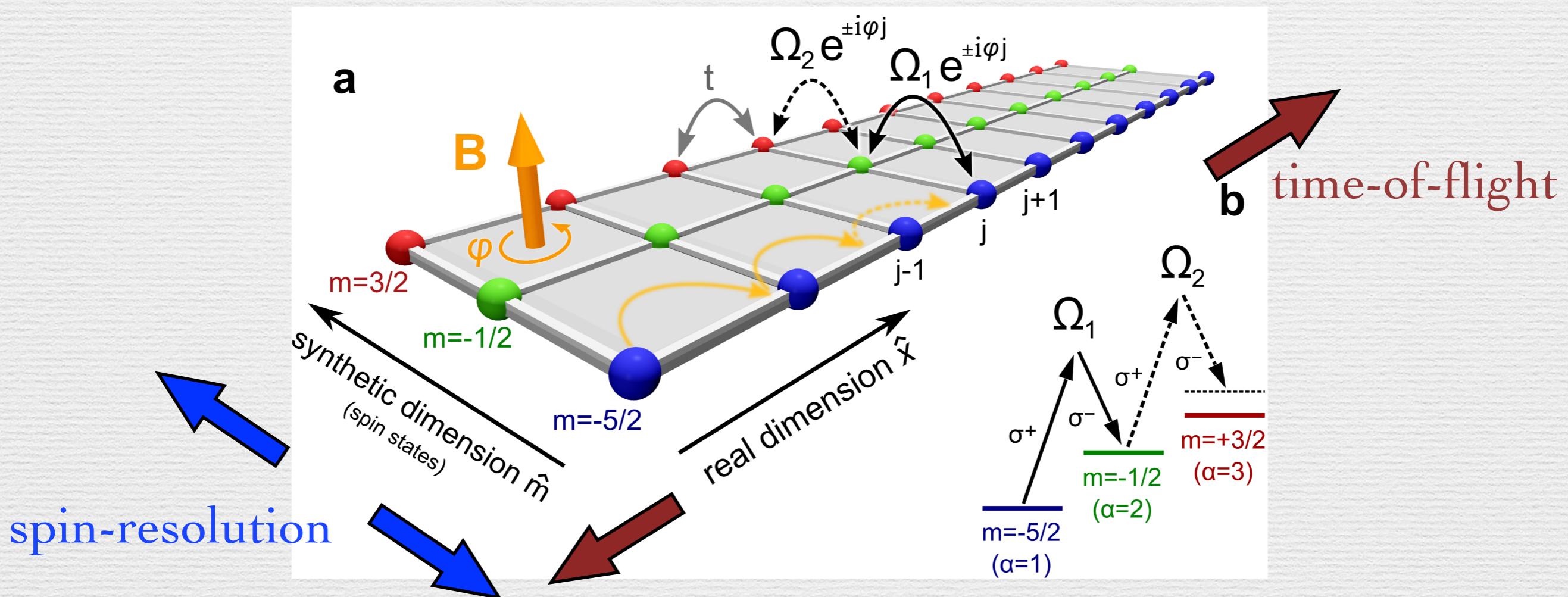
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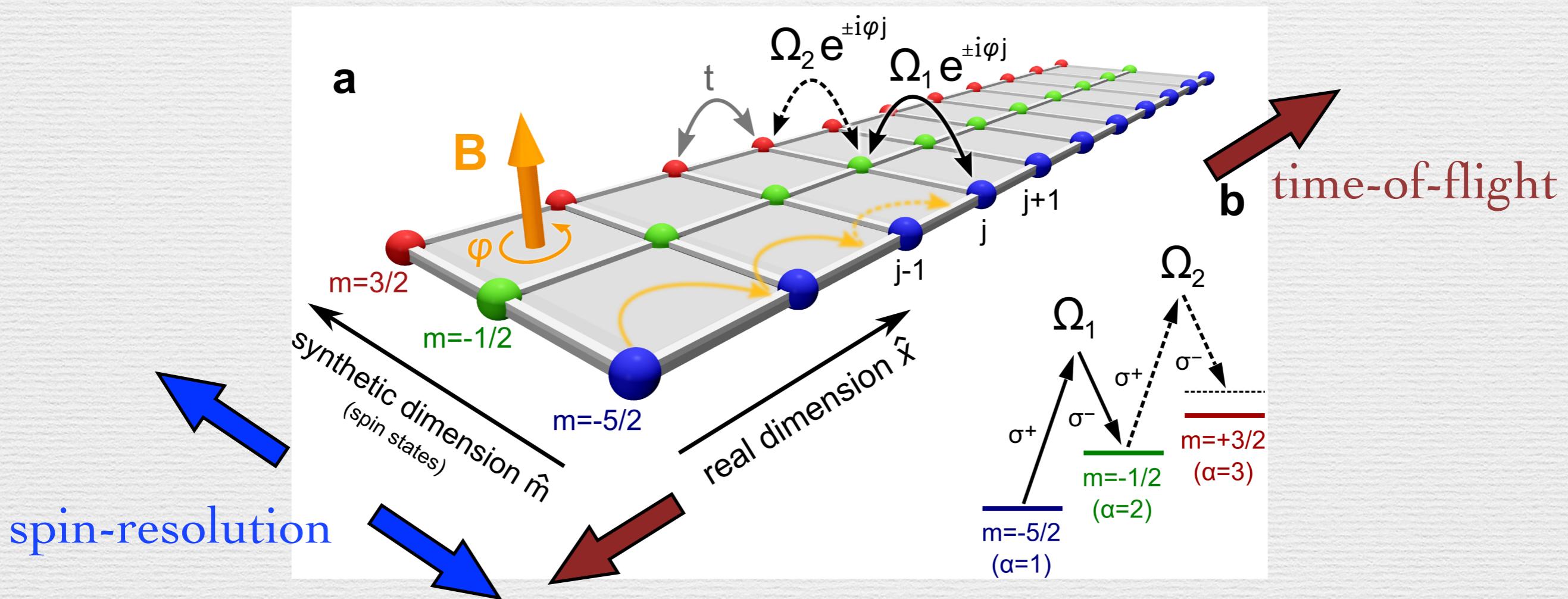
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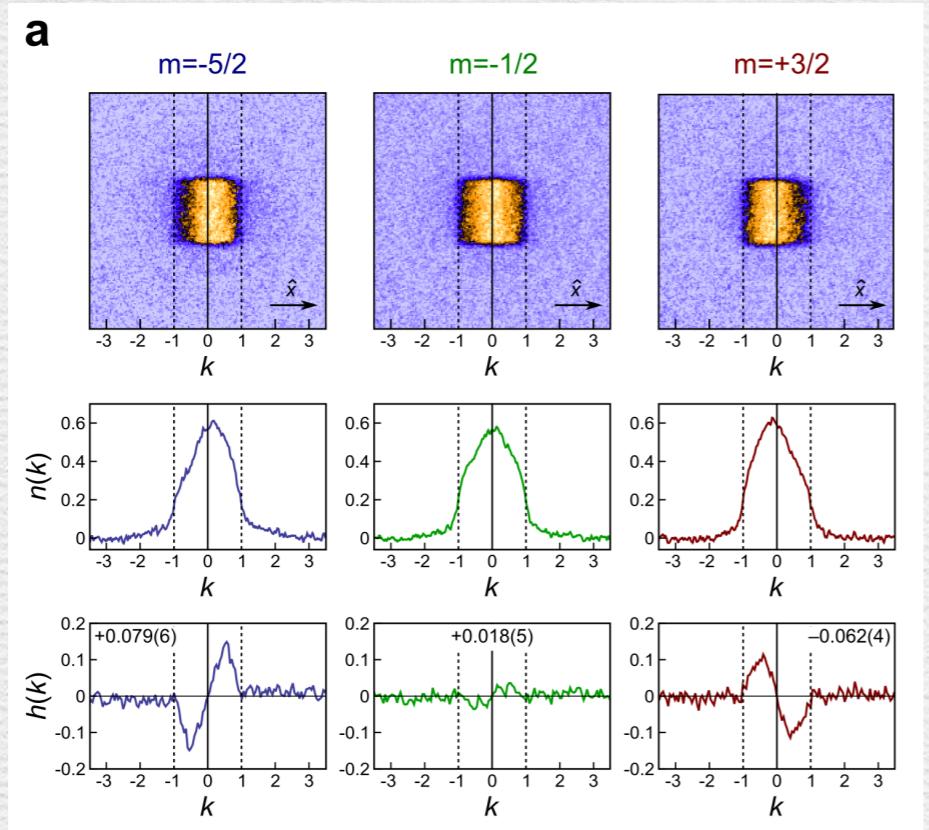
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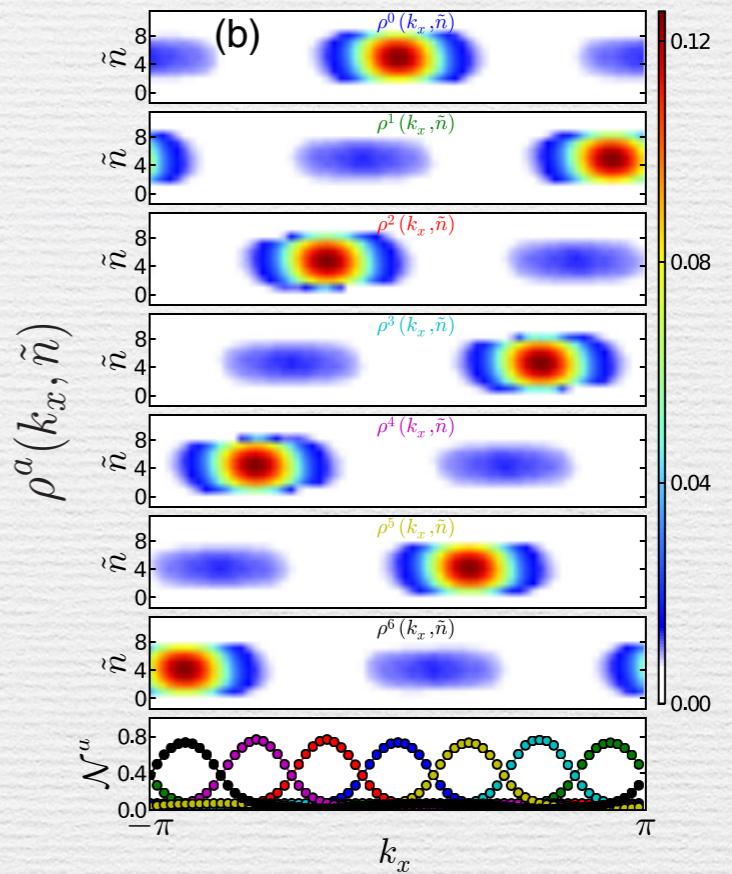
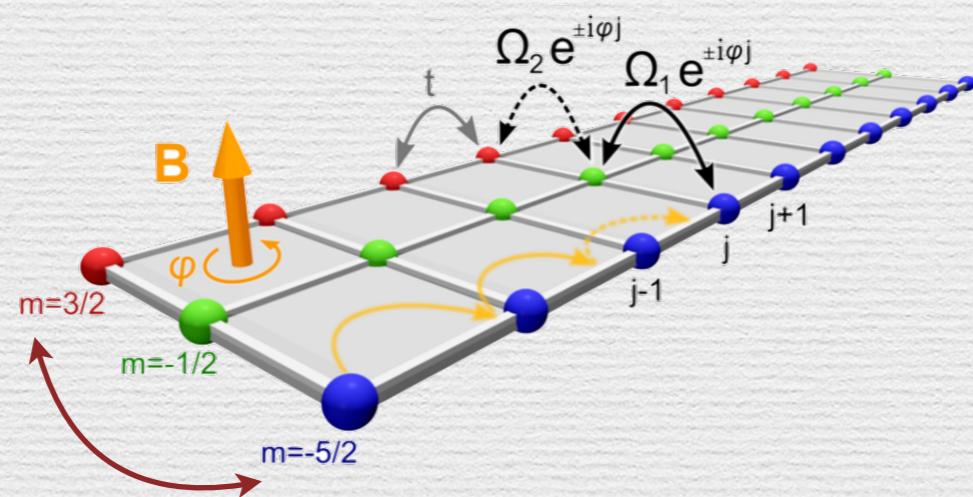
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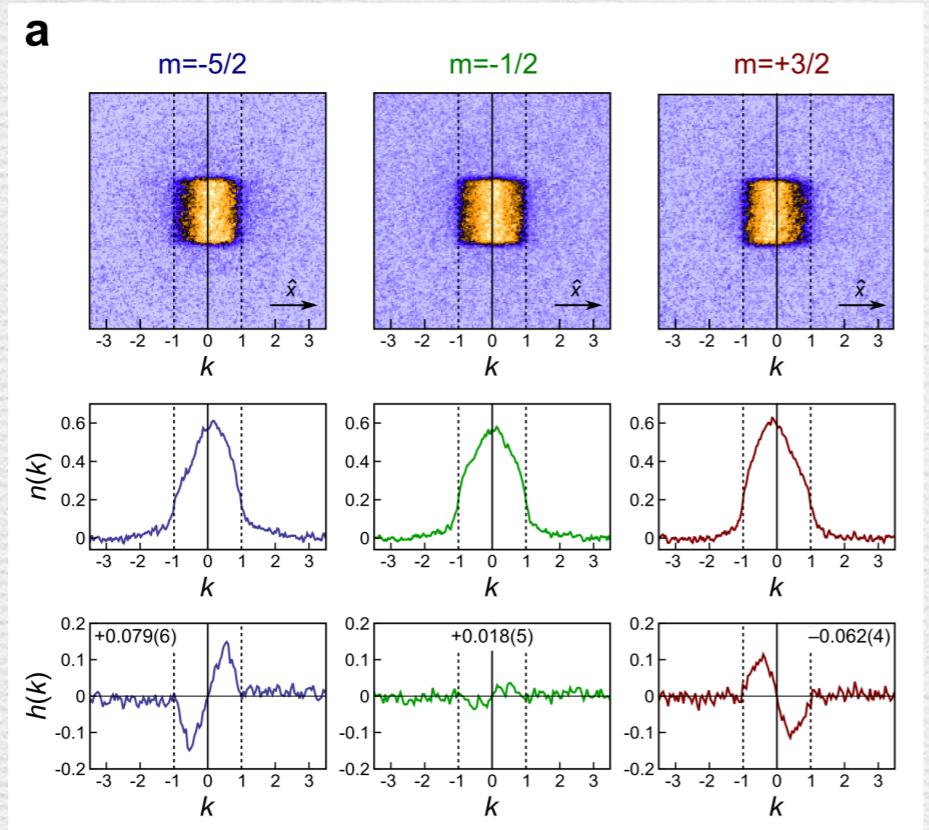
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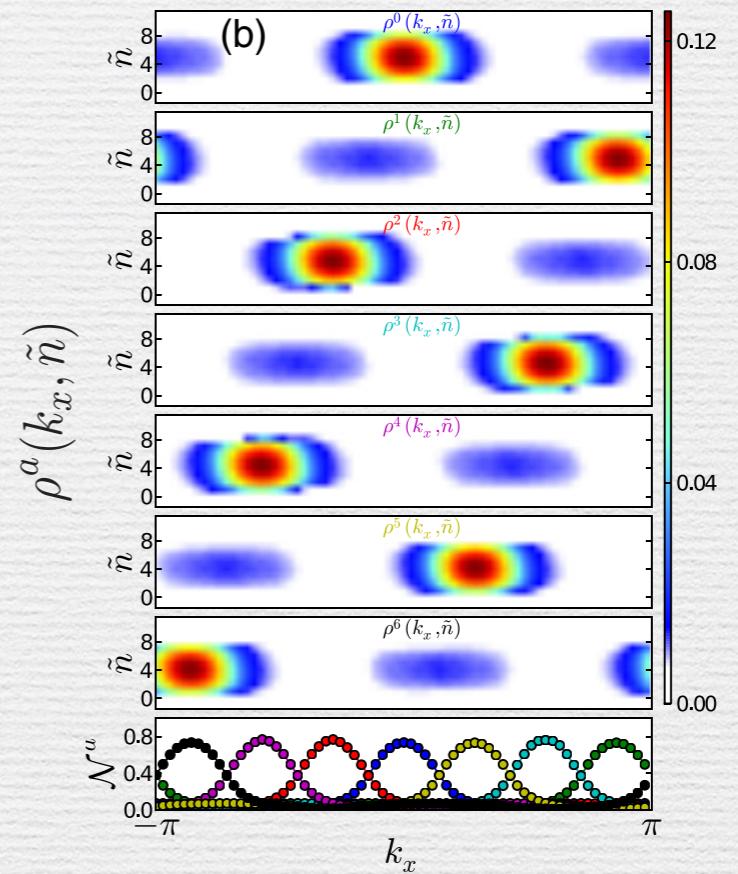
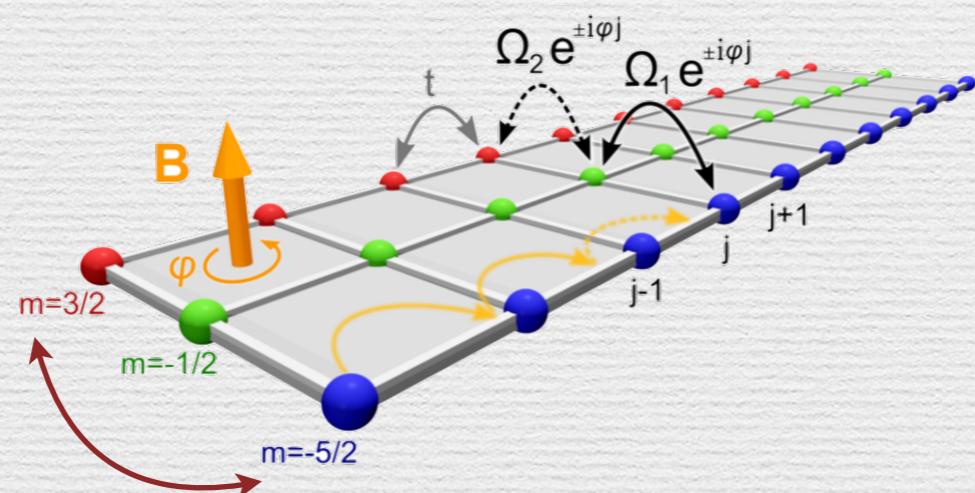
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the signal persists
even if it was a tube